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## VILLAGE OFFICERS

President.....M. R. PROCTOR  
 Clerk.....SARAH B. HUMPHREY  
 Treasurer.....SARAH B. HUMPHREY  
 Collector.....HENRY SODERBERG

### TRUSTEES

W. M. Fay.....1931  
 A. A. Tenerani.....1932  
 C. C. Thomas.....1933

### PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Severus Westin.....1931  
 David H. Bixler.....1932  
 Benjamin Williams.....1933

### AUDITORS

H. C. Gates.....1st  
 H. A. Ringlund.....2nd  
 A. D. Lawton.....3rd

### FIRE WARDENS

H. C. Belcher.....1st  
 H. A. Collin.....2nd  
 Herbert Johnson.....3rd

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES

The new floor laid in the Village Hall and mentioned in the 1929 Report was paid for from 1930 funds and cost \$347.90.

In last year's report \$8,500.00 paid for land in the Chittenden water shed was carried as a loan. This sum has been transferred to the Water and Sewer Account and the deficit of last year in that account \$2,221.89 plus this loan or a total of \$10,721.89 has been reduced to \$5,824.23.

Minor repairs on the Village Hall and Municipal Building have been completed.

Details of income and expenses will be found in reports of the Village Officers.

W. M. FAY,  
 A. A. TENERANI,  
 C. C. THOMAS,  
 Trustees.

## REPORT OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

That our schools have been carried on smoothly and efficiently during the past year will be observed from the report of the Supervising Principal, Mr. Joy, printed elsewhere, which is earnestly commended to all for careful reading.

No major alterations in the school buildings were made during the year but considerable upkeep repair work was necessary. A room on the third floor of the Central building was partitioned off for use of the Orchestra and Glee Clubs for rehearsals.

We desire to express our appreciation to the Parent-Teacher Association for its cooperation in conducting pre-school round up of children and for its welfare work in looking after the physical needs of our school children.

It is the sincere desire of the Prudential Committee to have our schools carried on as efficiently as possible with the funds at our disposal. Any constructive criticism of our methods and those of our teachers will be very much appreciated.

Last year a reduction of 10 cents was made in the school tax and we are glad to concur in the recommendation of the Budget Committee of a further reduction of 15 cents, making the school tax \$1.45 for the ensuing year.

The Treasurer's report shows a credit balance of \$5,371.77 in the school account.

The expenses for the school year ending January 31, 1931, not including payment of bonds and interest, total \$53,074.16, the detail of which is as follows:

Salaries to teachers and office clerk	\$38,687 02
Janitors	3,235 00
Repairs	1,839 14
Furniture	76 40
Lights	244 79
Transportation	807 00

Fuel	2,610 51
Tuition	148 50
Supplies	3,053 97
Books	1,322 33
Sundries	689 84
Insurance	234 36
Water Rent	113 30
Truant Officer	12 00

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\$53,074 16

Our estimated expenses for the coming year are as follows:

Salaries to teachers and office clerk	\$39,000 00
Janitors	3,250 00
Repairs	2,000 00
Furniture	200 00
Lights	250 00
Transportation	825 00
Fuel	3,200 00
Tuition	150 00
Supplies	2,400 00
Books	1,200 00
Sundries	800 00
Insurance	250 00
Water Rent	125 00
Truant Officer	12 00

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\$53,662 00

Retirement of Bonds	3,000 00
Interest on Temporary Loans	350 00
Interest on Bonds	1,140 00

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\$58,152 00

BENJAMIN WILLIAMS,  
D. H. BIXLER,  
SEVERUS WESTIN,  
Prudential Committee.

Proctor, Vermont, March 11, 1931.



## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

For the Year Ending March 1, 1931

I have the honor to present my fifth report for the year ending March 1, 1931. The work in the various grades has been commented upon and commended in previous reports. Much the same condition prevails as last year. Only one new teacher is teaching in the grades. In all the grades good to excellent work is being done.

The work in Arithmetic has been supplemented by the use of drill pads in all grades beginning with the second. The work in English is well organized. The work in History calls for some expenditure of money to provide text books in accordance with the new program recently published by the State Department.

The work in Geography is now being carried on with new texts of the latest approved type. These texts carry over into the seventh and eighth grades and tend to combine Geography, History and Civics. Through the use of the students' weekly newspapers, pupils from the fourth grade through the first year of high school are acquainted with world affairs and events.

We are aiming for higher scholastic standards in the Junior and Senior High Schools. An intimate comparison of the work of Proctor High School and the work of another high school in the state shows, subject by subject, with one exception, that our classes are smaller per teacher, that there is a less number of failures and what is more important, that there are far fewer border line students. I will not comment further upon the work in High School, except to say that the work in every department is now being well done.

The mid-year reports of students in college is very encouraging. One student is carrying his work in English and French "with distinction." All of the others have marks which bring credit to them and the school.

In this connection I should like to repeat a statement made during the year. School work should be considered the most serious and important undertaking of early youth. Nothing should be allowed to interfere with its successful completion. During school years it should be considered by parent, student and teacher, as paramount to all other interests; and anything and everything which may in any way assist the student to learn while in school should be eagerly accepted.

Outside interests should not be allowed to interfere with school work. Social gatherings leading to late hours, loitering, or amusements consuming much of the student's time or enlisting his interests are fatal to good school work. No boy or girl of high school age can afford to give his or her time, outside of healthful recreation, to anything but diligent and conscientious work.

I wish to express my appreciation of the fact that the prize for the "Greatest Improvement" is to be given again this year. We are working upon a plan to make up our honor groups from those who show good scholarship and good citizenship in high school.

We are glad to have the Proctor Vermont Essay Prize continued this year. The American Legion is to be commended for continuing its talks to boys of the eighth grade and offering again its medal for good citizenship in the school.

The Library supplements the reading matter of all grades and high school. We have had valuable assistance in rearranging and classifying our books.

The work in Physical Education and in Music has been excellent and the results will be far reaching. I wish to commend the work of the Proctor Parent-Teacher Association in connection with the pre-school clinic and the interest it has created among parents in the close study during the year of the general theme, "The Parents' Responsibility to the Child."

We were all saddened by the sudden and seemingly untimely death, during the year, of our School Nurse, Miss Emily Calef. All who knew her, students, parents and teachers, came to appreciate her deep interest and kindly service. Since



September the work of School Nurse has been carried on in an efficient manner. The daily reports from teachers to the School Nurse of absent children is a valuable and a promptly effective method of discovering contagious diseases. I am glad to report no unusual number of cases of any contagious diseases during the year.

I have purposely made my report non-statistical. The record of enrollment, attendance and scholarship of every pupil in school is carefully kept and may be used for reference at any time.

With much appreciation for the support and guidance of the Prudential Committee, this is respectfully submitted.

CLARENCE L. JOY,  
Supervising Principal

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### GENERAL ACCOUNT RECEIPTS

Balance from 1929	\$1,209 32
Taxes 1930	7,389 43
Collector 1930	1 65
Temporary loans	6,000 00
Rental of Village Hall	355 00
Peddler's licenses	36 00
Globes	4 00
American Fidelity Co. (Replaced lamp post)	100 38
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	\$15,095 78

### DISBURSEMENTS

Outstanding orders 1929	\$3 00
One refunding bond	1,000 00
Interest on refunding bonds	240 00
Temporary loans	4,000 00
Interest on temporary loans	323 94
Proctor Band	400 00
Disposal of garbage	810 00
Street lighting	2,428 15
Maintenance of Village Hall (including lights)	870 86
New floor in Village Hall	347 90
Janitor for Village Hall	325 00
Insurance on Village Hall	433 69
D. R. Mahaffy services	190 00
Labor	197 47
Supplies	69 46
Refund of tax	69
Police duty	103 20
Bonds for officers	50 00
Maintenance of Municipal Bldg. (including lights)	223 47

Village Clerk	215 86
Street lamps, posts, repairs, etc.	772 85
Office equipment and supplies	478 69
Petty cash in till	20 00

	<u>\$13,504 23</u>
Balance	1,591 55

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\$15,095 78

Temporary loan unpaid	\$2,000 00
Balance deducted	1,591 55

Deficit to new account	<u>\$408 45</u>
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## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

Balance from 1929	\$5,245 12
Temporary loans	13,000 00
Supplies sold	1,169 01
Tuition	414 34
State	1,116 53
Town of Rutland land rent	9 78
Interest on Trust Funds	371 92
Taxes 1930	54,367 01
Taxes from Collector 1930	23 90

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\$75,717 61

## DISBURSEMENTS

Outstanding orders 1929	\$227 41
Three refunding and school bonds	3,000 00
Interest on bonds	1,120 00
Temporary loans	13,000 00
Interest on temporary loans	249 41
Refund on tax	4 56

Bonds for officers	15 00
Insurance on School Bldgs.	49 51
Prudential Committee orders	52,679 95

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\$70,345 84

Balance to new account	5,371 77
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\$75,717 61

## WATER AND SEWER

## RECEIPTS

From water rents	\$12,596 88
Deficit to new account	5,824 23

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\$18,421 11

## DISBURSEMENTS

Deficit of 1929	\$2,221 89
Proctor Trust Co., Chittenden land payment	8,500 00
Care of Filter	325 00
Four Water and Sewer Bonds	4,000 00
Interest on Bonds	780 00
Interest on R. Proctor loans	637 50
D. R. Mahaffy services	340 33
Chittenden land expense	204 36
Supplies	46 85
Labor	311 12
New hydrants and repairs	801 95
C. E. Holden salary 1929	150 00
C. E. Holden salary 1930	100 00
Cash refund on water rent	2 11

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\$18,421 11

## STATEMENT OF TAXES 1930

## GRAND LIST FOR VILLAGE

Polls	\$1,336 00	
Property	21,059 78	
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## INTANGIBLE LIST

Group No. 1	\$71,137 54	
Group No. 2	1,102 20	
	<hr/>	\$72,239 74

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

From Polls	\$300 60	
From Property	4,738 45	
From Intangible Group No. 1	2,560 95	
From Intangible Group No. 2	176 35	
	<hr/>	\$7,776 35
Paid Treasurer direct	\$7,389 43	
4% Discount to taxpayers	310 07	
1% Discount to treasurer	74 63	
Abated poll taxes 1930	46	
Abated property taxes 1930	11	
Received from collector	1 65	
	<hr/>	\$7,776 35

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## GRAND LIST FOR SCHOOLS

Polls	\$1,381 00	
Property	22,001 36	
	<hr/>	\$23,382 36

## INTANGIBLE LIST

Group No. 1	\$71,137 54	
Group No. 2	1,102 20	
	<hr/>	\$72,239 74

From Polls	\$2,209 60	
From Property	35,202 18	
From Intangible Group No. 1	18,495 76	
From Intangible Group No. 2	1,322 64	
	<hr/>	\$57,230 18

Paid Treasurer direct	\$54,367 01	
4% Discount to taxpayers	2,281 39	
1% Discount to treasurer	549 08	
Abated poll taxes 1930	3 20	
Abated property taxes 1930	80	
Uncollected polls 1930	4 80	
Received from Collector	23 90	
	<hr/>	\$57,230 18



**AUDITORS' REPORT**

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer and the accounts and vouchers of the Village Trustees for the year ending February 28, 1931, and the accounts of the Prudential Committee for the year ending January 31, 1931, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

**STATEMENT OF CONDITION**

February 28, 1931

**CONSOLIDATED EXPENSE AND INCOME****RECEIPTS**

From general account	\$15,095 78
From water and sewer account	12,596 88
From school account	75,717 61
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	\$103,410 27

**EXPENDITURES**

From general account	\$13,504 23
From water and sewer account	18,421 11
From school account	70,345 84
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	\$102,271 18
Excess of receipts over expenditures to next year	1,139 09
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	\$103,410 27

**RESOURCES**

Surplus in general account	\$1,591 55
Surplus in school account	5,371 77
Uncollected 1930 taxes	4 80
Cash in till	20 00
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	\$6,988 12

**LIABILITIES**

Water and sewer bonds outstanding	\$22,000 00
Funding and school bonds outstanding	32,000 00
Outstanding loan for filter	15,000 00
Deficit in water and sewer account	5,824 23
Proctor Trust Company Loan	2,000 00
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	\$76,824 23
Net Liabilities	\$69,836 11

Since the net liabilities of the Village for the year ending February 28, 1930 were \$81,486.31, there is a decrease of liabilities during 1930, of \$11,650.20.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF VILLAGE ACCOUNTS AS  
COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR:

GENERAL ACCOUNT

February 28, 1930, balance	\$1,209 32
February 28, 1931, balance	1,591 55

WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

February 28, 1930, deficit	\$2,221 89
February 28, 1931, deficit	5,824 23*

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

February 28, 1930, balance	\$5,245 12
February 28, 1931, balance	5,371 77

\*The loan of \$8,500.00 for water shed, outstanding at the close of last year, was paid this year and charged to Water and Sewer Account.

The estimate of village general expense and the necessary tax rate therefor has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

Signed,

A. D. LAWTON,  
H. C. GATES.

PROCTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Chief Engineer	H. C. Belcher
Foreman	H. A. Collin
1st Asst. Foreman	H. W. Johnson
2nd Asst. Foreman	Almo Tenerani
Clerk	C. B. Keefe
Engine Man	Neilo Bowman

FIREMEN

1st Squad	2nd Squad
John Fortier	John Prior
Chas. Billings	Cecil Curtis
Ralph Broadwell	Geo. Johnson
John Brolin	Frank Lajoice
R. W. Chutter	James Cyr
Ben Doane	David Ogilvie
Oscar Olson	H. Zambelli
Walter Ladabouche	Emil Pelchat
Henry Loso	Herbert Curtis
George Loso	Algot Sedergrén
Frank Loraine	John Geagan

During the year the company met four times for dry practice and eight times for engine practice.

Alarms were answered as follows:

- (1) Feb. 3rd—5:45 P. M. Chimney fire, David Greeno house, West Street .....No damage
- (2) Feb. 28th—8:00 A. M. Chimney fire, Kamuda house, East Street .....No damage
- (3) Apr. 3rd—2:30 P. M. Grass fire near Geo. Geno's house, Cain Street .....No damage
- (4) Apr. 13th—12:30 P. M. Fire in partition of No. 5 Pine Street, occupied by Kenneth Tilley.

- (5) Apr. 14th—3:00 P. M. Fire in No. 3 Pine St., occupied by H. Zambelli. Damage for (4) and (5) \$95.60
- (6) Apr. 15th—11:50 A. M. Loso Chicken house. Damage .....\$50.00
- (7) Apr. 16th—Mead Woods. Cause C. & P. Railroad Engine ..... Damage slight
- (8) May 4th—Grass fire south of Hollister Quarry.  
No damage
- (9) June 10th—6:00 P. M. Truck fire on South Street.  
Damage slight
- (10) June 24th—3:40 P. M. Eric Oscarson's oil stove explosion. Damage .....\$25.00

In addition to these, on February 20th there was a false alarm; on Feb. 23rd there was an accidental alarm; and on Feb. 16th, Mr. Norman Stevens of Pittsford sent in a call for help. The alarm was sounded, but before the truck left the Fire Station, he telephoned that the fire was under control.

The estimated fire damage in the town of Proctor for the year 1930 was \$170.60.

The members are appointed yearly by the Vermont Marble Company which bears the entire expense of maintaining the Fire Department.

H. A. COLLIN, Foreman.  
C. B. KEEFE, Clerk.

## REPORT OF PROCTOR BAND

Season 1930

### RECEIPTS

Masquerade Ball	\$112 60	
Village of Proctor	400 00	
		\$512 60

### DISBURSEMENTS

Music	\$12 20	
Insurance	9 00	
Concerts	482 00	
	\$503 20	
Balance on hand	9 40	\$512 60

FLETCHER R. LOFQUIST,  
Treasurer.



# WARNING

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The legal voters in Village Meeting of the Village of Proctor, Vermont, are hereby warned to meet at the Village Hall in said Village, on Tuesday, the 31st day of March, A. D. 1931 at 4:00 P. M., to act on the following matters, to wit:

1. To elect a President, Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three Auditors and three Fire Wardens, each to serve for the term of one year, one Trustee and one member of the Prudential Committee, each to serve for the term of three years.
2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Village officers.
3. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay the expenses of the Village, and if so, how much?
4. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise for the support of schools, and if so, how much?
5. To see if the Village will vote to accept the provisions of Section 889 to 895 inclusive, of the General Laws, for the collection of taxes by the Village Treasurer.
6. To see if the Village will vote to concur with the Town in the creation of a joint budget committee.
7. To see if the Village will authorize the Trustees to borrow money for the temporary use of the Village.
8. To see if the Village will defray the expense of surety bonds for Village officers, where bonds are required by law.
9. To see if the Village will appropriate money for the support of the Proctor Band, and if so, how much?
10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

SARAH B. HUMPHREY,

Village Clerk.

Dated at Proctor, Vermont, this 9th day of March, A. D. 1931.

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## VILLAGE OFFICERS

President .....	Wallace M. Fay
Clerk .....	Sarah B. Humphrey
Treasurer .....	Sarah B. Humphrey
Collector .....	Henry Soderberg

## TRUSTEES

Almo A. Tenerani .....	1932
Chester C. Thomas .....	1933
A. Tuttle Patterson .....	1934

## PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Henry A. Collin .....	1932
Benjamin Williams .....	1933
Severus Westin .....	1934

## AUDITORS

Frank J. Olney .....	1932
Harold C. Gates .....	1933
Melcher M. Aronson .....	1934

## FIRE WARDENS

Henry C. Belcher .....	First
Henry A. Collin .....	Second
Herbert W. Johnson .....	Third

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

### General Account.

The Treasurer has paid the deficit of \$388.45 from 1930 and shows a balance to be carried forward of \$331.32. The Treasurer's account in the current report shows actual receipts and disbursements with the temporary loans and payments thereof carried separately. By prompt payment of these loans and the deposit of funds in a savings account, there is an additional income from interest of \$175.00.

The labor item in this account is divided as follows:

Removing snow and sanding sidewalks ...	\$ 59 64
Supplies .....	6 75
Repairing street light control clocks .....	19 00
Park Work .....	168 61
Work on garbage dump .....	63 73
Repairing stairs .....	49 75
Band stand .....	3 21

\$370 69

It is necessary to pay a one thousand dollar refunding bond the coming year and to make repairs to the interior of the Village Hall.

### Water and Sewer Account.

This account has paid off \$4000.00 of its bond and in addition has decreased the previous years deficit of \$5,824.23 to \$1,107.11. This deficit resulted from the purchase of additional land in the Chittenden water shed in 1929 for \$8,500.00 which will have been entirely paid for the coming year.

The water and sewer account must pay in 1932 another \$4,000.00 of its bonds and should in addition pay a substantial part of the \$15,000.00 loan used for constructing the filter plant.

If the present rate of payment on bonds and other debt can be continued, the Village should be free of debt (including the School bonds) in 1937.

A. A. Tenerani, } Trustees.  
A. T. Patterson, }

### REPORT OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

The expenses for the school year ending January 31, 1932, not including payment of bonds and interest, equals \$51,099.53. The expenses for the previous year amounted to \$53,074.16—a difference of \$1,974.63. The expenses were divided as follows:

Salaries to teachers and office clerk	\$39,120 78
Repairs	1,023 71
Furniture	38 28
Lights	244 61
Janitor	3,062 50
Transportation	850 00
Fuel	2,421 87
Tuition	114 00
Supplies	2,022 41
Books	1,056 22
Insurance	308 44
Water Rent	278 30
Sundries	546 43
Truant Officer	12 00
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	\$51,099 53

During the year we closed the North School Building, and had two fewer teachers than the previous year, the total number of teachers employed during the year being 26, as compared with 28 for the previous year.

The total number of pupils enrolled in the public schools for the school year just closed was 653, and for the year 1930-31,—639.

No unusual repairs have been made upon any of the buildings, but we have endeavored to keep them in the best condition. It is not contemplated that any extensive repairs will be made during the coming year.

We believe that we must reduce the school expenses and have therefore concurred in the recommendation of the Budget Committee for a further reduction in the school tax, from \$1.45 to \$1.30, the tax for the past year having been reduced from \$1.60 to \$1.45.

The public schools are the most important agency of the village. They should have the cooperation and support of all the citizens. The welfare of our children is a most important concern of the community. A deep interest in the schools and in the work they are doing, and the cooperation on the part of the parents with the teachers, is earnestly recommended.

We estimate the requirements for 1932-1933 call for an expenditure of \$49,679 for school purposes, and \$4,000 for the retirement of bonds and the payment of interest, a total of \$53,779, the detail of which is as follows:

Salaries to teachers and office clerk	\$36,500 00
Janitors	2,900 00
Repairs	1,500 00
Electric Lights	250 00
Transportation	850 00
Fuel	2,700 00
Tuition	100 00
Supplies	2,000 00
Books	1,200 00
Insurance	250 00
Water Rent	279 00
Sundries	650 00
Contingencies	500 00
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	\$49,679 00
Retirement of bonds	3,000 00
Interest on temporary loans	225 00
Interest on bonds	875 00
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	\$53,779 00

We call your attention to the report of the Supervising Principal, Mr. Joy, and also to the report of Miss Eveleth, the School Nurse, both of which are published herein.

Benjamin Williams,  
Severus Westin,  
Henry A. Collin,  
Prudential Committee.



## REPORT OF SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

To the Prudential Committee,—  
Proctor, Vermont.

I have the honor to present to you my sixth annual report of the Proctor Public Schools.

The organization and working condition of our elementary schools and high school are fundamentally sound. Our courses are organized to meet individual needs. The health of our pupils is being taken care of in an efficient and satisfactory manner. The program for the physical education of our girls, as in other years, probably has no equal in the state. Physical education for our boys should be resumed at an early date. The lack is offset by the large number of boys taking part in some form of athletics, from the sixth grade through high school. This is made possible through the active interest of our men teachers. They give without stint of their time and effort. Football, basketball, track, baseball, and hockey engage the attention of a large number of our boys. Good sportsmanship is maintained and an unusual degree of success has come to our teams in contests with other schools. For two years our basketball team has won the championship in the Marble Valley League, and for two years has won first place in the Southern Vermont Tournament, sponsored by the Rutland Rotary Club. For the same two years they have had wonderful success in the Senior League, outplaying much larger schools such as Burlington and Rutland. Good, clean athletics play an important part in the life of every boy and make for morale and school spirit in any group. Their success brings favorable comment from many sources, and honor, like that of the Spartan and Athenian youth, to the town of Proctor.

For the last two years, especially, the business of our schools has been conducted in a most economical manner. The time has come when some needed expenditures must be made for our primary and elementary grades in the matter of text books. The work of our grades, under well trained

and efficient teachers of experience, continues to stress those things which are fundamental in education and make for good citizenship and character.

The extra-curricular activities of our Junior and Senior High Schools play an important part in the education and development of our young people. Their activities are well supervised and are held within proper bounds. The Proctor Players' Club has sponsored an oratorical or prize speaking contest. The Parent Teachers' Association has sponsored a playwriting contest and in many other ways has taken an active interest in school affairs. Our school paper is one of the finest in the state, and has been copied by several other schools.

Prizes for scholarship and good citizenship, offered by the Proctor American Legion have a most beneficial effect on our Junior High School students. The Legion has also offered prizes for essays on George Washington, commemorating the bicentennial of his birth. Those students who are earnest in their work but who may not excel in scholarship are recognized for their efforts to make as much improvement as possible. The annual Vermont prize essay has brought about a better knowledge and a deeper love for our state.

The meeting of evening Study Groups during the winter proved to be a decided success. Over one hundred and twenty were enrolled in the various groups. The subjects considered were, Commercial Law, Political Economy, Government, Vermont History, French, English for our foreign speaking people, Shorthand and Typewriting, College Preparatory Mathematics, Mechanical and Architectural Drawing, Trigonometry and Descriptive Geometry as applied to work in marble. The unusual feature of this endeavor has been that busy men and women have found time and have shown so much interest, as leaders of these Study Groups. Their efforts, which have been given without compensation, are deeply appreciated.



The people of Proctor appreciate, I believe, the results which have come through our Music Department. The work in Home Economics, brought into the high school curriculum after so many years of splendid work in connection with Cavendish House, continues to form an important part of our work in high school.

I strongly advise and urge that the work in Manual Training and Drawing be continued and that means be found to make the work more intensive and diversified under the plan known as "General Shop". This department has no reason to become vocational in purpose, but should be taught from an educational standpoint, like any other course in the high school.

While there are no statistics in this report, I wish to advise you that records of attendance and scholarship and such other data as is vital to the proper running of the schools, is carefully and accurately kept. With the recently purchased standard forms we shall bring the records of every student who has attended the Proctor High School, so far as records are available, up to date and in permanent form. These records are of great importance to many, long after they have left school, and after many changes have taken place in the teaching force.

The teachers of Proctor have been alert and loyal in the performance of their tasks during the year. There is no depression in the schools. Responsibilities are increased. Economy in the use of supplies will be observed during the coming year, and every effort will be made to do for the young people of Proctor what the schools should do.

I wish to thank you, the Prudential Committee of Proctor and through you the people, for the hearty support given in making Proctor Schools, good schools.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE L. JOY,  
Supervising Principal.

March 7, 1932.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSING WORK

Sept. 8 to Feb. 1, 1932

At different intervals the children have been inspected for contagious diseases and the following cases have been absent:

Measles	1	Whooping Cough	7
Mumps	18	Scabies	5

Each month the pupils from Grade 1 to Grade 6 inclusive were weighed with special attention to those who were underweight. Milk was taken in school; cocoa, ovaltine, malted milk or tody was suggested to be taken at bed time. This gave very good results in many cases.

Interclass contests for cleanliness in caring for the teeth, hands, neck, ears, etc., have been carried out to great advantage. Hygienic posters were made and prizes given. The children have these posters at home as reminders. This was done to encourage good habits, regular attendance at school, and better school work.

### First-Aid Cases

640 cases were treated through these months in the office.  
12 cases were accompanied to the doctors, dentists, and hospital.

160 home calls were made in regard to absentees, dentistry, tonsils, and clothing.

In October, Dr. Rogers of Pittsford examined the children from Grade 4 through the Junior-Senior High School. Dr. Rogers found several children who had over-active hearts or heart abnormalities. Those having trouble were referred to the doctor for advisability of school activities.

In October, 15 cases reported to the Infantile Clinic for corrective work.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNETT L. EVELETH,  
School Nurse.

# REPORT OF TREASURER GENERAL ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

Hall Rent	\$ 300 00
Taxes	7,078 40
Peddler's Licenses	15 00
Telephone Calls	90
Interest on Savings Account	175 00
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	\$ 7,569 30

## DISBURSEMENTS

Deficit from 1930	\$ 388 45
Refunding Bond	398 87
Interest on Bonds	246 67
Interest on Temporary Loans	172 79
Proctor Band	400 00
Garbage disposal	780 00
Street Lighting	2,263 02
Village Hall (Inc. lights)	763 46
Village Hall Janitor	300 00
Village Hall Insurance	203 85
Municipal Building (Inc. lights)	196 79
Municipal Building Boiler repairs	117 33
Labor (Inc. stair repairs)	370 69
Superintendent	89 50
Printing and office supplies	99 12
Police duty	171 50
Bond for Treasurer	50 00
Street lamps, repairs, etc.	157 44
Telephone	48 50
Petty cash in till	20 00
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	\$ 7,237 98
Balance to 1932	331 32
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	\$ 7,569 30

Loans from Proctor Trust Co. 1930	\$ 2,000 00
Loans from Proctor Trust Co. 1931	5,000 00
Loans Paid	7,000 00

# SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

Balance from 1930	\$ 5,371 77
Miss Emily D. Proctor	800 00
Rent of School Land	19 56
Tuition	150 00
State	1,168 85
Taxes	51,990 57
Telephone calls	1 50
Books and supplies	608 47
Interest on Escheat Funds, Town	348 52
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	\$60,459 24

## DISBURSEMENTS

Refunding Bonds	\$ 2,601 13
Interest on Bonds	973 33 <i>3574.46</i>
Interest on Temporary Loans	218 06
Prudential Committee Bond	10 00 <i>also 500 Paid by interest</i>
Prudential Committee orders	51,056 76
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	\$54,859 28
Balance to 1932	5,599 96 ✓
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	\$60,459 24

Loans from Proctor Trust Co. 1931	\$13,000 00
Loans Paid	13,000 00

# WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

From Water Rents	\$11,589 04
Deficit to 1932	1,107 11
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	\$12,696 15

## DISBURSEMENTS

Deficit from 1930	\$ 5,824 23
Bonds	4,000 00
Interest on Bonds	660 00



Interest on Notes	637 50
Taxes on Chittenden Land	159 52
Care of Filter	300 00
Water Commissioner	413 00
Labor	551 90
Town of Proctor, Clerical Work	150 00
	<hr/> \$12,696 15

Sarah B. Humphrey, Treasurer.

### STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES, 1931.

Polls, 143f @ \$1.50 State Flood Tax	\$ 2,146 50
Village Polls, 1382 @ \$2.42½	3,351 35
Town Polls, 49 @ \$2.22½	109 03
Village Prop. Grand List \$21,681.45 @ \$2.42½	52,577 52
Town Property Grand List \$771.20 @ \$2.22½	1,715 92
Intang. No. 1 Grand List \$73,442.72 @ \$ .40	29,377 09
Intang. No. 2 Grand List \$ 1,082.65 @ \$2.00	2,165 30
	<hr/> \$ 91,442 71
Less 4% to Taxpayers on all but State Taxes	3,413 83
	<hr/> \$ 88,028 88

### Taxes Received as follows:

Polls paid Treasurer, 1405	\$ 5,387 03
Polls paid Collector, 20	75 85
Polls Abated, 4	15 17
Polls Unpaid, 2	7 68
Property Tax paid Treasurer	82,420 45
Property Tax paid Collector	81 51
Property Tax Abated	6 18
Property Tax Unpaid	35 01
	<hr/> \$ 88,028 88
Less 1% to Treasurer	878 07
	<hr/> \$ 87,150 81

### Divided as follows:

General Town Acct.	\$13,281 22
Highway Account	8,947 08
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Total Town Tax	\$22,228 30
State Tax	5,789 50
General Village Account	7,078 40
School Account	51,990 57
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Total Village Tax	\$59,068 97
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	\$87,086 77
Abated Polls	15 17
Unpaid Polls, Town	4 50
Unpaid Polls, Village	3 18
Abated Property Tax	6 18
Unpaid Property Tax, Town	11 25
Unpaid Property Tax, Village	23 76
	<hr/> \$87,150 81

Sarah B. Humphrey, Treasurer.

### Insurance on Village Property

Village Hall	\$27,000 00
High School Building	11,500 00
Central Building	36,000 00
North School Building	3,500 00
South School Building	15,000 00
East School Building	6,000 00



## REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer and the Village Trustees, and the accounts of the Prudential Committee for the year ending February 29, 1932, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

### Statement of Condition

February 29, 1932.

### TOTAL INCOME AND EXPENSE

#### RECEIPTS

General Account	\$ 7,569 30
Water and Sewer Account	11,589 04
School Account	60,459 24
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	\$79,617 58
Loan Proctor Trust Co., 1930 Genl.	2,000 00
Loan Proctor Trust Co. 1931 Genl.	5,000 00
Loan Proctor Trust Co. 1931 School	13,000 00
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	\$99,617 58

#### DISBURSEMENTS

General Account	\$ 7,237 98
Water and Sewer Account	12,696 15
School Account	54,859 28
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	\$74,793 41
Loans Paid—General	7,000 00
Loans Paid—School	13,000 00
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	\$94,793 41
Excess of receipts over disbursements to next year	4,824 17
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	\$99,617 58

## RESOURCES

Surplus in General Account	\$ 331 32
Surplus in School Account	5,599 96
Uncollected 1931 Taxes	26 94
Cash in till	20 00
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	\$ 5,978 22

## LIABILITIES

Water and Sewer bonds outstanding	\$18,000 00
Funding and School bonds outstanding	29,000 00
Outstanding loan for filter	15,000 00
Deficit in water and Sewer Acct.	1,107 11
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	\$63,107 11

Net Liabilities \$57,128 89

Since the net liabilities of the Village for the year ending February 28, 1931 were \$69,836.11, there is a decrease of liabilities during the year 1931 of \$12,707.22.

### Financial Condition of Village Accounts as Compared with last year.

#### GENERAL ACCOUNT

February 28, 1931, Deficit	\$ 408 45
February 29, 1932, Balance	331 32

#### WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

February 28, 1931, Deficit	\$ 5,824 23
February 29, 1932, Deficit	1,107 11

#### SCHOOL ACCOUNT

February 28, 1931, Balance	\$ 5,371 77
February 29, 1932, Balance	5,599 96

The estimate of the village general expense and the necessary tax rate therefor has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

Signed,

F. J. Olney,  
H. C. Gates.

# REPORT OF PROCTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Chief Engineer ..... H. C. Belcher  
 Foreman ..... H. A. Collin  
 1st Asst. Foreman ..... H. W. Johnson  
 2nd Asst. Foreman ..... Almo Tenerani  
 Clerk ..... C. B. Keefe  
 Engine Man ..... Neilo Bowman

## FIREMEN

### 1st Squad

John Fortier  
 Chas. Billings  
 Ralph Broadwell  
 John Brolin  
 R. W. Chutter  
 Ben Doane  
 Oscar Olson  
 Walter Ladabouche  
 Henry Loso  
 George Loso  
 Frank Loraine

### 2nd Squad

John Prior  
 Cecil Curtis  
 George Johnson  
 Frank Lajoice  
 James Cyr  
 David Ogilvie  
 H. Zambelli  
 Emil Pelchat  
 Herbert Curtis  
 Algot Seder gren  
 John Geagan

During the year the Company met four times for dry practice and eight times for engine practice.

## Alarms were answered as follows:

- (1) Feb. 11th— 9.30 A. M. Tilberg's Car.
- (2) Feb. 28th— 4.30 P. M. Thad Parrows, Chimney.
- (3) Mar. 4th— 4.15 P. M. Henry Faignant, Chimney.
- (4) Apr. 10th— 7.30 P. M. Brush Fire along Rutland R. R., north of Proctor.
- (5) Apr. 14th— 7.00 P. M. Grass Fire, Claude Austin's.
- (6) Apr. 16th— 9.00 A. M. Grass Fire, Ed Ostiguy's.
- (7) Apr. 29th— 4.00 A. M. Rutland Fair Grounds.
- (8) July 4th— 4.50 P. M. Flory Farm, Rutland Town.
- (9) July 11th— 2.30 A. M. Rutland Fair Grounds.
- (10) July 26th—10.15 P. M. Proctor High School.
- (11) Sept. 15th— 8.00 A. M. Cooperative Store, Elevator Shaft.
- (12) Sept. 16th—11.00 P. M. C. J. Creed Farm, Pittsford.
- (13) Oct. 21st—10.00 A. M. Otter Creek Inn, Pittsford.
- (14) Oct. 22nd— 6.55 P. M. Humphrey House, West St.
- (15) Dec. 17th—11.20 A. M. #45 Cain St., Chimney Fire.
- (16) Dec. 26th—10.15 A. M. #65 East St., Chimney Fire.

The estimated fire damage in the Town of Proctor for the year was \$2,500.00, all at the A. P. Humphrey House.

The members are appointed yearly by the Vermont Marble Company, which bears the entire expense of maintaining the Fire Department.

H. A. Collin, Foreman  
 C. B. Keefe, Clerk.

## REPORT OF PROCTOR BAND

Season 1931.

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1931	\$ 9 40	
Mortimer R. Proctor	160 00	
Village of Proctor	400 00	
	<hr/>	\$569 40

## DISBURSEMENTS

New Music, etc.	\$ 47 38	
Insurance	9 00	
Concerts	503 50	
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	\$ 559 88	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1932	9 52	
	<hr/>	\$569 40

Fletcher R. Lofquist, Treasurer.



# WARNING

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The legal voters in Village Meeting of the Village of Proctor, Vermont, are hereby warned to meet at the Village Hall in said Village, on Tuesday, the 29th day of March, A. D. 1932, at 4:00 P. M., to act on the following matters, to wit:

1. To elect a President, Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three Auditors and three Fire Wardens, each to serve for the term of one year, one Trustee and one member of the Prudential Committee, each to serve for the term of three years.
2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Village officers.
3. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay the expenses of the Village, and if so, how much?
4. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise for the support of schools, and if so, how much?
5. To see if the Village will vote to accept the provisions of Section 889 to 895, inclusive, of the General Laws, for the collection of taxes by the Village Treasurer.
6. To see if the Village will vote to concur with the Town in the creation of a joint budget committee.
7. To see if the Village will authorize the Trustees to borrow money for the temporary use of the Village.
8. To see if the Village will defray the expense of surety bonds for Village officers, where bonds are required by law.
9. To see if the Village will appropriate money for the support of the Proctor Band, and if so, how much?
10. To see if the Village will vote to accept the gift of three street lights to be installed at the expense of the Village, and if so, to appropriate money therefor.
11. To see if the Village will vote to purchase from Arthur W. Elliott about 12.58 acres of land in Chittenden in exchange for about 15.18 acres of land owned by the Village in said town of Chittenden purchased from the Champlain Realty Company, the purpose being for the better protection of the water shed of the Village, and if so, to appoint an agent or agents to deed the land of the Village to be so exchanged.
12. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

SARAH B. HUMPHREY,  
Village Clerk.

Dated at Proctor, Vt., this 18th day of March, A. D. 1932.

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Officers

OF THE

## Village of Proctor VERMONT

For the Fiscal Year Ending February 28th

1933



THE TUTTLE COMPANY  
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Rutland, Vermont

## VILLAGE OFFICERS

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President	.	.	.	.	.	Almo A. Tenerani
Clerk	.	.	.	.	.	Sarah B. Humphrey
Treasurer	.	.	.	.	.	Sarah B. Humphrey
Collector	.	.	.	.	.	Henry Soderberg

### TRUSTEES

Chester C. Thomas	.	.	.	.	.	1933
A. Tuttle Patterson	.	.	.	.	.	1934
Wallace M. Fay	.	.	.	.	.	1935

### PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Benjamin Williams	.	.	.	.	.	1933
Severus Westin	.	.	.	.	.	1934
Henry A. Collin	.	.	.	.	.	1935

### AUDITORS

H. C. Gates	.	.	.	.	.	First
M. M. Aronson	.	.	.	.	.	Second
F. J. Olney	.	.	.	.	.	Third

### FIRE WARLENS

H. C. Belcher	.	.	.	.	.	First
H. A. Collin	.	.	.	.	.	Second
C. B. Keefe	.	.	.	.	.	Third



## REPORT OF TRUSTEES

### GENERAL ACCOUNT

The general account shows a balance to be carried forward of \$2,392.99. While the necessary expenses of the village are practically fixed, with this balance on hand the tax can be five cents less than last year. It is necessary to pay a \$1,000.00 refunding bond during 1933.

The expense of the Village Hall includes about \$350.00 for rebuilding the electrical wiring and placing this in conduit. Previously there was a serious fire hazard, in fact, a fire did start through defective electrical equipment. Fortunately, the damage was very small and all of the doubtful wiring has been corrected.

### WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

This account shows satisfactory progress although the receipts were less than they were in the year ending Feb. 29, 1932. The account paid off \$4,000.00 of its bonds and also \$1,000.00 of its cash loan as well as taking care of the deficit of the previous year of \$1,107.11. The expenditure shown in the Treasurer's report of \$1,453.57 was for a new sewer from the junction of Olympus Road and Warner Avenue to the sewer on East St.

This work was done at the request of the Selectmen of the Town as a "Make-Work" job.

C. C. THOMAS  
A. T. PATTERSON  
W. M. FAY  
Trustees.

## REPORT OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Economic conditions existing and anticipated when the budget for the past school year was drafted indicated the necessity and justice of a reduction in taxes. Over 85% of local taxes are used for school purposes. Therefore, an appreciable reduction in the tax rate can only be achieved through a proportionate curtailment in school expenses. Reduction is not a happy solution to any problem. It was not without great regret that the Prudential Committee accepted a reduction of 15 cents in school tax. This necessitated a flat reduction of 10% in the salaries of all school employees. It was hoped that other reductions could be made through economies in operation without curtailment in program. The budget which was adopted allowed \$49,679.00 for current expenses, plus \$4,122.00 for bonds, etc. The actual expenses and receipts are as follows:

Salaries to teachers and office clerk	\$36,603 00
Repairs	1,197 64
Furniture	117 10
Water and Lights	437 94
Janitors	2,680 00
Transportation	850 00
Fuel	1,722 71
Tuitions	81 00
Supplies	2,014 27
Books	1,259 61
Sundries	440 16
Insurance	376 69
Truant Officer	12 00
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	\$47,792 12

The Treasurer's report shows a balance on hand of \$2,867.67 in the school account on February 28th.

The program has been carried out without curtailment. The staff consists of a superintendent, one clerk, one study hall supervisor, one nurse, two special teachers and twenty-one regular grade and high school teachers. This is one grade teacher less than last year. Miss Proctor has generously continued her contribution which provides Physical Education for the girls.

Below is a comparison of some school statistics for the past four years:

Year	No. of Pupils	Regular Teachers	Pupils Per Teacher	Tax Rate	Expenses	Expense Per Pupil
1930	647	24	27	\$1 70	\$51,914 42	80 3
1931	636	24	26 5	1 60	53,074 16	83 5
1932	652	22	29 6	1 45	51,099 53	78 5
1933	645	21	30 7	1 30	47,792 12	74 1

No unusual repairs were made during the past year. The greater portion of money so expended was used to remedy defects in and improve the efficiency of the heating systems in the various buildings. Sanitary conditions were improved in the Central Building. The buildings are all in good condition and nothing but minor repairs is anticipated. A start was made toward restoring the original pleasing appearance of the High School grounds.

It now seems necessary to make a further reduction in school expenses to get in line with the proposed change in tax rate from \$1.30 to \$1.15. Just how to accomplish this is a very difficult and serious problem. The Prudential Committee appreciates the fact that children grow up but once. There is but one opportunity to fit them for citizenship. Yet we feel we must give some consideration to present economic conditions and adjust ourselves accordingly. We hope to use whatever funds are placed at our disposal in such manner as to reduce the scope and efficiency of the present curriculum as little as possible. The problem has many aspects not generally known and we ask your indulgence in its solution.

We estimate the requirements for school purposes for 1933-34 as follows:

Salaries to teachers and office clerk	\$29,328 00
Janitors	2,280 00
Repairs	1,500 00
Electric Light and Water Rent	440 00
Transportation	850 00
Fuel	2,000 00
Tuition	100 00
Supplies	1,000 00
Books	1,100 00
Insurance	250 00
Sundries	600 00
Contingencies	500 00
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	\$39,948 00
Retirement of bonds	4,000 00
Interest on bonds	848 00
Interest on temporary loans	250 00
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	\$45,046 00

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN WILLIAMS  
SEVERUS WESTIN  
HENRY A. COLLIN  
Prudential Committee.



## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

*To the Prudential Committee, Proctor, Vermont:*

I have the honor to present to you my seventh annual report of the Proctor Public Schools.

It has been said in recording the story of Rome under the Emperor, Antonius Pius, that happy is that people who have no history. So it is with our schools. Their work has moved along with hardly a ripple on the surface. The same interests have been maintained and gratifying results have come from the earnest efforts of the teachers and those interested in the Proctor Public Schools.

That our schools are doing good work is proved by the reports received from all the colleges and institutions which our graduates entered last year. These reports show scholastic attainments of high order and contain expressions of praise and commendation not only for the students mentioned but for the thorough preparation which has been given in our schools.

Economies have been practiced during the year which will be shown in the report of the Prudential Committee. Still further economies can be made, if in your judgment, it is necessary to do so. Throughout the grades new and approved text books have been provided. Except for renewals and the purchase of some supplementary reading, no great expenditure is called for in regard to text books.

The American Legion has continued its interest in the boys of the eighth grade. Members of the Legion have given talks from time to time and have again offered their medal for good citizenship in school.

The Red Cross and P. T. A. have been generous in their gifts for the Milk Fund. Physical Education for girls has been continued through the generosity of Miss Emily D. Proctor. Prizes for essays on Vermont, as in previous years, have been offered by Mr. Mortimer R. Proctor. The Prize Play Contest, sponsored by the P. T. A. brought good results. The two winning one act plays will be presented soon.

Although there was little response to our efforts to have an evening school again this year, a class of about twenty-five was formed for the study of Astronomy under the leadership of Rev. C. Lansing Seymour. Already three sessions have been held. There will be fifteen to eighteen in all.

Work in character education has been started in the grades. It is hoped that this can be extended into the seventh and eighth grades and eventually be made a part of our high school training. A committee, appointed by the State Department of Education, has been at work on this program for several years and it is expected that their findings will be presented soon. Character education is one of the school's most important functions.

The School Nurse from Jan. 1, 1932 to June 20, 1932 reports contagion: Chickenpox 1, Measles 2, Whooping cough, 19, Scarlet Fever 6, Poison Ivy 24, Mumps 23. First Aid: Appendicitis 1, Fractures 1, Office Calls 652, Home Calls 175.

All children in Grades 1 to 6 were weighed monthly. The Junior and Senior High School girls and Junior High School boys were weighed in January and again in June.

168 children were inoculated against diphtheria in March.

73 children were seen and treated by Dr. Somers.

9 children had tonsil and adenoid operations.

In June the summer round up was made and examinations were conducted for 44 of the 47 cases entered.

From Sept. 6, 1932 to Jan. 23, 1933, the School Nurse reports 6 cases carried to Rutland, 6 cases taken to the hospital and 15 cases taken to Dr. Hack and Dr. Somers. 137 home visits were made. 657 were given first aid treatment at the office. 13 cases of mumps were reported as well as 55 cases of Flu or Grippe. There has been one fracture on school grounds and 6 cases where tonsils have been removed. A great deal of work has been done in checking clothes and diets. Twenty-eight children have been given free milk each school day. Eighty-five to ninety-five bottles of milk are served daily.

I wish to offer certain changes in the high school curriculum, which in my opinion ought to be made. For many years the colleges have dominated the curriculum of the small high school. Some students will go to college. We will provide for them. It is an established fact that 95 per cent will not go to college. Many students find it hard to master Latin, algebra and geometry. There are too many in our high school and in other high schools who are judged "misfits" and drop out and go to work.

The public high school is maintained by the money of all the people and there should be a place within its walls for the instruction of all the children of all the people. There is only one man's college in New England which requires Latin for admission. Middlebury, Mt. Holyoke, Vassar, Wellesley, Wheaton and Smith will give credits for general science, community civics and home economics.



This simply means that the colleges are at last realizing that the thing which counts is the ability of the student to do college work and that ability to think straight can be cultivated just as well by reasoning out problems in science or investigating living conditions as by memorizing Latin conjugations or algebraic formulae.

The proposed course practically postpones for a year the choice of subjects. All students are now required to take English and social science. Students who need to take Latin may obtain permission to do so. Girls are required to take home economics and boys, biology. I would offer arithmetic for freshman year. The course in arithmetic fills three needs. It offers an excellent foundation for those who intend, later on to choose bookkeeping. It also offers the year of arithmetic which is required by some of our nurses' training institutions and it gives admirable training in general mathematics to those who desire to clinch their knowledge of arithmetical reasoning and have no desire or need of the formulas of algebra.

To enrich the course for those not going to college I would offer courses in commercial geography or physical geography, general business training, economics and commercial law. Under this arrangement, students will carry algebra as sophomores, geometry as juniors and devote the fourth year to that combination of advanced algebra, trigonometry or solid geometry which may be best suited to the requirements of the college which they are to enter. The above suggested changes can probably be made with our present teaching force.

In concluding, I wish to urge more parents to visit our schools, both the grades and high school. Teachers will welcome them and I am sure the students will profit by having their parents better acquainted with what is actually going on in the class room.

I wish to thank you, the Prudential Committee, and through you, the people of Proctor for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE L. JOY,  
Supervising Principal.

March 4, 1933.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### GENERAL ACCOUNT

#### Receipts

Balance from 1931	\$331 32
Hall Rent	501 95
Taxes, 1932	8,549 54
Town of Proctor, 1% on Tax	361 68
Peddler's Licenses	10 00
Tax collected 1931	1 03
Stamp money	1 00
Unearned discount on collected taxes	1 23
Interest on Savings Account	14 11
Cash	20 00
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	\$9,791 86

#### Disbursements

Bond Paid	\$1,000 00
Interest on bonds	220 00
Interest on temporary loans	35 51
Proctor Band (Memorial Day)	20 00
Garbage disposal	780 00
Street Lighting	2,225 00
Street lamps, repairs, etc.	220 01
Village Hall (Inc. lights)	894 53
Village Hall Janitor	300 00
Village Hall Insurance	449 67
Municipal Building (Inc. lights)	131 63
Officers Bonds	50 00
Town of Proctor, Clerk	103 06
Town of Proctor, 1% on tax	361 68
Parks	134 68
Telephone	54 17
Labor	166 98
Supplies	130 71
Police Duty	91 25
Hall Rent Fund	5 00
Tax refund	4 99
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	\$7,378 87
Balance on hand to 1933	2,392 99
Cash in till	20 00
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	\$9,791 86

Loan from Proctor Trust Co.	\$1,500 00
Loan Paid	\$1,500 00

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1931	\$5,599 96
Taxes 1932	44,516 27
Tax collected 1931	7 37
Tax collected 1928	1 08
Unearned discount on collected taxes	6 77
State of Vermont, Transportation	136 44
State of Vermont, Vocational	400 00
State of Vermont, Bonus	202 58
State of Vermont, Superintendent	497 39
Books and Supplies	919 07
Miss Proctor	1,920 00
Tuition, Town of Pittsford	165 25
Telephone calls	7 20
Interest on Escheat Funds, Town	324 98
Interest on Savings Account	78 08
	<hr/> \$54,782 44

## Disbursements

Bonds Paid	\$3,000 00
Interest on Bonds	860 00
Interest on temporary loans	213 63
Tax refund	36 19
Labor	6 48
Telephone calls	1 35
Prudential Committee Bond	5 00
Prudential Committee Orders	47,792 12
	<hr/> \$51,914 77
Balance to 1933	2,867 67
	<hr/> \$54,782 44

Loan from Proctor Trust Co.	\$11,000 00
Loan Paid	11,000 00

## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

## Receipts

From Water Rents	\$10,871 75
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## Disbursements

Deficit from 1931	\$1,107 11
Bonds Paid	4,000 00

R. Proctor note paid	1,000 00
Interest on Bonds and Notes	1,267 16
Taxes on Chittenden land	127 30
Fencing Chittenden land	370 13
Care of Filter	300 00
Supplies	97 00
Labor (Inc. Commissioner)	791 76
New Sewer	1,453 67
Rebate water rent	8 66
Sewer Crossing R. R.	1 00
Rent Chittenden land	8 00
Town of Proctor, Clerical Work	150 00

\$10,681 79

Balance to 1933

189 96

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\$10,871 75

SARAH B. HUMPHREY,  
Treasurer.

## WATER AND SEWER

## Bonded Debt

1904	\$100,000 00
1914	80,000 00
1924	50,000 00
1933	14,000 00

The present debt of \$14,000.00 to be paid as follows:

Jan. 1, 1934	\$4,000 00
Jan. 1, 1935	5,000 00
Jan. 1, 1936	5,000 00

In addition to above there is an outstanding loan of \$14,000 to be paid when funds are available.

## VILLAGE AND SCHOOL

## Bonded Debt

1920	\$67,000 00
1925	51,000 00
1930	32,000 00
1932—Oct. 1	25,000 00

The present debt of \$25,000.00 to be paid as follows:

Oct. 1, 1933	\$5,000 00
Oct. 1, 1934	5,000 00
Oct. 1, 1935	5,000 00
Oct. 1, 1936	5,000 00
Oct. 1, 1937	5,000 00

# STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES

## Both Town and Village

1467 Polls at 1.50, State Flood Tax	\$2,200 50	
Village Polls, 1416 at \$2.15	3,044 40	
Town Polls, 51 at \$1.90	96 90	
		\$5,341 80
Village Property Grand List:		
\$22,279.39 at \$2.15	\$47,901 65	
Town Property Grand List:		
\$769.68 at \$1.90	1,462 41	
		\$49,364 06
		\$54,705 86
Less 4% to Taxpayers on all but State Tax	2,105 61	
		\$52,600 25
Refund from State Intangible Tax	23,860 20	
Total Tax to Collect		\$76,460 45

## Taxes Collected as follows:

Polls paid Treasurer	1433	\$5,089 72
Polls paid Collector	22	78 32
Polls Abated	7	24 92
Polls Unpaid	5	17 32
Property Tax paid Treasurer		47,300 47
Property tax paid Collector		35 11
Property tax unpaid		54 39
		\$52,600 25
Intangible Tax paid by State		23,860 20
		\$76,460 45
1% to Treasurer		523 90
		\$75,936 55

## Divided as follows:

State Flood Tax			\$2,161 00
	Direct	Intangible	
General Town Account	\$8,140 04	\$3,884 22	
Highway Account	5,814 41	2,774 44	
Total Town Tax	\$13,954 45	\$6,658 66	\$20,613 11
General Village Account	\$5,775 10	2,774 44	
School Account	30,089 17	14,427 10	
Total Village Tax	\$35,864 27	\$17,201 54	\$53,065 81
			\$75,839 92
Abated Polls			24 92
Unpaid Polls, Town portion			10 37
Unpaid Polls, Village portion			6 95
Unpaid Property Tax, Town portion			15 18
Unpaid Property Tax, Village portion			39 21
			\$75,936 55

## Insurance on Village Property

Village Hall	\$27,000 00
High School Building	11,500 00
Central Building	36,000 00
North School Building	3,500 00
South School Building	15,000 00
East School Building	6,000 00

SARAH B. HUMPHREY  
Village Treasurer.



## REPORT OF AUDITORS

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer, the Village Trustees and the Prudential Committee for the year ending February 28, 1933, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

### Statement of Condition

February 28, 1933

#### TOTAL INCOME AND EXPENSE

Receipts		
General Account	\$9,791 86	
Water and Sewer Account	10,871 75	
School Account	54,782 44	
		\$75,446 05
Loan Proctor Trust Co., 1932 Gen'l.	\$1,500 00	
Loan Proctor Trust Co., 1932 School	11,000 00	
		\$12,500 00
		\$87,946 05
Disbursements		
General Account	\$7,378 87	
Water and Sewer Account	10,681 79	
School Account	51,914 77	
		\$69,975 43
Loans Paid—General	1,500 00	
Loans Paid—School	11,000 00	
		\$82,475 43
Excess of Receipts over disbursements to next year	5,450 62	
Cash in till	20 00	
		\$87,946 05
Resources		
Surplus in General Account	\$2,392 99	
Surplus in School Account	2,867 67	
Surplus in Water and Sewer Account	189 96	
Uncollected 1932 Taxes	46 16	
Cash in till	20 00	
		\$5,516 68

### Liabilities

Water and Sewer Bonds outstanding	\$14,000 00
Funding and School Bonds outstanding	25,000 00
Outstanding loan for filter	14,000 00
	\$53,000 00
Net Liabilities	\$47,483 22

Since the net liabilities of the Village for the year ending February 29, 1932 were \$57,128.89, there is a decrease of liabilities during the year 1932 of \$9,645.67.

### Financial Condition of Village Accounts as Compared with Last Year

General Account	
February 29, 1932, Balance	\$331 32
February 28, 1933, Balance	2,392 99
Water and Sewer Account	
February 29, 1932, Deficit	\$1,107 11
February 28, 1933, Balance	189 96
School Account	
February 29, 1932, Balance	\$5,599 96
February 28, 1933, Balance	2,867 67

The estimate of the Village general expense and the necessary tax rate, therefor, has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

H. C. GATES  
F. J. OLNEY  
Auditors.

### PROCTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Chief Engineer	H. C. Belcher
Chief	H. A. Collin
Assistant Chief	H. W. Johnson
Captain	Almo Tenerani
Captain	R. W. Chutter
Clerk	C. B. Keefe
Engine Man	Neilo Bowman

## Firemen

*1st Squad*

John Fortier  
 Chas. Billings  
 Ralph Broadwell  
 John Brolin  
 Nino Zapponi  
 Ben Doane  
 Oscar Olson  
 Walter Ladabouche  
 Henry Loso  
 George Loso  
 Clifford Monahan

*2nd Squad*

John Prior  
 Cecil Curtis  
 Geo. Johnson  
 Frank Lajoice  
 James Cyr  
 David Ogilvie  
 Hercules Zambelli  
 Emile Pelchat  
 Herbert Curtis  
 Algot Sedergren  
 Thomas Mohan

During the year the company met four times for dry meetings and eight times for practice with apparatus.

## ALARMS WERE ANSWERED AS FOLLOWS

1. Feb. 6 3:45 P. M. Chimney, 85 Beaver Pond Road
2. Mar. 18 2:30 P. M. Carrigan Farm House, Pittsford
3. Apr. 20 12:40 P. M. Grass near Beaver Pond Block Pile
4. Apr. 21 1:45 P. M. Grass near No. 77 High Street
5. Apr. 22 9:15 A. M. Grass near Mead Farm
6. Apr. 25 1:30 P. M. Grass and Small Pines—Old Reynolds Farm
7. Apr. 30 2:00 P. M. Grass near No. 73 High Street
8. May 5 3:30 P. M. Brush near C. & P. R. R.—West St.
9. May 6 3:30 P. M. Brush near C. & P. R. R.—West St.
10. May 16 4:45 P. M. Brush and Woods near Beaver Pond
11. May 17 2:00 P. M. Patrol along West Mt., request of Pico Mt. Watch
12. May 19 6:45 A. M. No. 21 Meadow Street
13. May 25 9:30 A. M. Cellar, No. 114 South Street
14. May 25 10:00 A. M. Brush along Rutland R. R.
15. Nov. 10 7:50 A. M. Chimney, 11 McGarry Street
16. Nov. 26 6:50 P. M. Chimney, 15 Market Street
17. Nov. 28 5 10 P. M. Chimney, 11 Beech Street
18. Dec. 5 3:30 P. M. Forest Fire on West Mt.
19. Dec. 7 1:45 P. M. Rubbish Pile, McGarry's Store
20. Dec. 7 1:45 P. M. Grass, Old Poor Farm
21. Dec. 7 5:00 P. M. Grass along C. & P., West Street

The estimated fire damage in the town of Proctor for the year was \$20.00.

The members are appointed yearly by the Vermont Marble Co., which bears the entire expense of maintaining the Fire Department.

H. A. COLLIN, Chief  
 C. B. KEEFE, Clerk



# WARNING

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The legal voters in Village Meeting of the Village of Proctor, Vermont, are hereby warned to meet at the Village Hall in said Village, on Tuesday, the 28th day of March, A. D. 1933, at 4:00 P. M., to act on the following matters, to wit:

1. To elect a President, Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three Auditors and three Fire Wardens, each to serve for the term of one year, one Trustee and one member of the Prudential Committee, each to serve for the term of three years.

2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Village Officers.

3. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay the expenses of the Village, and if so, how much?

4. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise for the support of schools, and if so, how much?

5. To see if the Village will vote to accept the provisions of Section 889 to 895 inclusive, with amendments thereto, of the General Laws, for the collection of taxes by the Village Treasurer.

6. To see if the Village will vote to concur with the Town in the creation of a joint budget committee.

7. To see if the Village will authorize the Trustees to borrow money for the temporary use of the Village.

8. To see if the Village will defray the expense of surety bonds for Village officers, where bonds are required by law.

9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

SARAH B. HUMPHREY,  
Village Clerk.

Dated at Proctor, Vt., this 14th day of March, A. D. 1933.



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
of the  
**Board of Officers**  
of the  
**Village of Proctor**  
**VERMONT**

**For the Fiscal Year Ending February 28th**

**1934**

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**A. J. NOVAK PRINTING CO.**  
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## VILLAGE OFFICERS

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President	.	.	.	.	.	Chester C. Thomas
Clerk	.	.	.	.	.	Sarah B. Humphrey
Treasurer	.	.	.	.	.	Sarah B. Humphrey
Collector	.	.	.	.	.	Henry Soderberg

### Trustees

A. Tuttle Patterson	.	.	.	.	.	.	1934
Wallace M. Fay	.	.	.	.	.	.	1935
John M. Flanagan	.	.	.	.	.	.	1936

### Prudential Committee

Severus Westin	.	.	.	.	.	.	1934
Henry A. Collin	.	.	.	.	.	.	1935
Benjamin Williams	.	.	.	.	.	.	1936

### Auditors

Melcher M Aronson	.	.	.	.	.	.	First
Frank J. Olney	.	.	.	.	.	.	Second
Albert F. Belisle	.	.	.	.	.	.	Third

### Fire Wardens

Henry C. Belcher	.	.	.	.	.	.	First
Henry A. Collin	.	.	.	.	.	.	Second
Herbert W. Johnson	.	.	.	.	.	.	Third

## REPORT OF PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

At the Village Meeting of 1933, it seemed desirable to reduce school operating expenses so the tax rate was lowered about 11½%. This reduced our income \$6,708.84. Expenses were accordingly reduced \$6,253.66, still leaving a balance in the school account of \$1,197.42 on February 28th. The greater part of the reduction was effected by reducing salaries another 10% and by eliminating one grade teacher. Likewise other items of operating expense were held as low as possible. The appropriation for fuel was exceeded because of the extreme severity of the weather.

The actual expenses were as follows:

Salaries to teachers and office clerk	\$31,574 31
Repairs	1,233 73
Water and lights	229 40
Janitors	2,590 00
Transportation	850 00
Fuel	2,403 88
Tuition	31 50
Supplies	1,422 74
Books	983 32
Sundries	747 01
Campus	113 50
Insurance	359 07
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	\$41,538 46

In addition to operating expenses, the bonded debt was reduced \$4,000.00. The school debt is now \$16,000.00 which will be paid up on April 1, 1937 at the present rate of payment. The interest on the bonded debt was \$740.00, on temporary loans \$330.69.

Because of reduced income, Manual Training and Music have been somewhat curtailed. Study hall supervision is divided among the regular teachers instead of employing a special supervisor. Other portions of the program have been carried out as in former years. Some classes are larger than we would like to see them. We shall try to relieve this situation if it be possible with the funds available. We are again indebted to Miss Proctor for providing Physical Education for the girls. The absence of Miss Brooks during the spring term makes us realize what a great deal she has contributed to our schools during her fourteen years of service.

We again compare some school statistics with those of the past four years:

Year	No. of Pupils	Regular Teachers	Pupils Per Teacher	Tax Rate	Operating Expense	Expense Per Pupil
1929	647	24	27	\$1.70	\$51,914.42	\$80.24
1930	636	24	26.5	1.60	53,074.16	83.45
1931	652	22	29.6	1.45	51,099.53	78.37
1932	645	21	30.7	1.30	47,792.12	74.10
1933	627	20	31.4	1.15	41,538.46	66.25

Inasmuch as some of our buildings are very old, constant minor repairs are necessary. It has been the practise for several years not to make any repairs which could be put off another year. Consequently our buildings are now in danger of serious deterioration unless steps are taken to preserve them. We have asked for an increase in the repair budget to care for this.



To operate our school system on approximately the same basis as last year, we estimate the requirements to be as follows:

Salaries to teachers and office clerk	\$25,680 00
Janitors	2,680 00
Repairs	2,000 00
Electric lights and water rent	440 00
Transportation	850 00
Fuel	2,300 00
Tuition	100 00
Supplies	1,300 00
Books	1,200 00
Insurance	300 00
Sundries	700 00
Contingencies	500 00
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	\$38,050 00
Retirement of bonds	4,000 00
Interest on bonds	570 00
Interest on temporary loans	500 00
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	\$43,120 00

Respectfully submitted,

Severus Westin,

Henry A. Collin,

Benjamin Williams,

Prudential Committee.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

For Year Ending March 1, 1934.

To the Prudential Committee, Proctor, Vermont.

In making my eighth annual report concerning the Proctor Public Schools I would like to quote The Seven Cardinal Objectives of Education, adopted by the National Education Association.

### A Plan of Achievement for All

**Health and Safety**— Set your health standards high and improve your habits daily. Modern life demands reliable strength and energy; a sound mind in a sound body.

**Worthy Home Membership**— Magnify your home as the center of a life that is happy, useful, and unselfish. Home is the soil in which the spirit grows. Give your best.

**Mastery of the Tools, Technics, and Spirit of Learning**— Know how to observe, to study, to think, to plan, to judge, and to act. The world is run by thinkers and doers.

**Vocational and Economic Effectiveness**— Find your talents and train them. Spend wisely less than you earn.

**Faithful Citizenship**— Do something daily to make your school, your community, your state, your country, and your world happier, cleaner, quieter, more beautiful, better governed. Each for all and all for each.

**Wise Use of Leisure**— Let your daily play be a source of joy and strength, a balance wheel for your work. Cultivate growing things, fresh air, sunshine, and simplicity.

**Ethical Character**— Search for the highest values and build your life according to the best patterns. Read often the lives of great men and women. Character is king.

Such should be and I believe, is the main purpose of maintaining schools in Proctor. These objectives are a challenge to home, school and community to improve education.

I should like to tell you what is being done in each grade and in Junior and Senior High school. It is sufficient to say that we have a capable and efficient corps of teachers most of whom have given us several years of service.

Some changes have been made in our course of studies mainly in the interests of those who do not go to college. The efficiency of most of our small high schools has been measured in years past by the achievements of our college group. While we still need to maintain our cultural standards for this group it seems wise, as far as possible, to give practical instruction to the 95 per cent who do not have this privilege.

Our college certificate privilege has been extended to 1936. The group now in college is doing excellent work.

A considerable number who could not go to college are taking post graduate work.

Our per cent of attendance has been high, about 97 per cent for the year. The work of our school nurse has been most efficient in maintaining this high average.

The nurse reports the following cases: First aid, 927; Home calls, 135; Dr. Hack, 18; Dr. Marshall, 32; Rutland trips, 15; Hospital, 6; Chicken Pox, 24; Whooping Cough, 1; Pneumonia, 1; Impetigo, 8; Scabies, 12; Frost Bites, 3. The report shows a decrease in the number of contagious diseases and major accidents over those of previous years. Many home calls have been made due to the severe winter.

Through the use of a special fund one eye and three ear operations have been cared for. Many people have contributed old glasses frames which have been used in correcting the vision of a number of pupils. Pupils have learned to bring minor accidents to the attention of the school nurse and thus many cases of infection have been prevented. The school nurse has taught hygiene to a class of eighth grade girls. The project of this class in Healthy Living, on display in one of our stores is worthy of careful inspection.

The other interests, especially of the high school, have been maintained; debating, prize speaking, P. T. A. plays, the Proctor Vermont Essays, talks by members of the American Legion to eighth grade boys, the serving of milk to children needing it and the additional service of the Woman's Club in serving hot lunches to the bus children in the grades.

We have employed one less teacher this year. Further economies can be made only by increasing the size of classes. This would seem like false economy after our experience with several classes, already much too large.

Our text books are up to date and sufficient to meet our needs. Recent additions of encyclopedias, dictionaries and reference books have filled a long felt need. Statistics concerning the work of our schools and the records of the achievements of each pupil are on file at the office. More time than usual has been given to the progress of each individual pupil. For the grades four to eight I recommend an ungraded room where pupils may make progress according to their ability rather than passing them on from year to year because of age problems and an inability to do certain kinds or types of work.

Our buildings have been kept in good repair. Improvements in the chemical and physics laboratory and in the assembly hall have been made. Our Janitors have done especially good work.

I wish to suggest that those who read this report, re-read the Seven Cardinal Objectives of Education. We say that school is a preparation for life. School is life and should be just as earnest and purposeful as later years, of necessity, will make it.

I wish to thank the teachers and you, the Prudential Committee, for the timely interest which you have shown, and pledge every effort to maintain those principles set forth in the above Cardinal Objectives of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence L. Joy,

February 27, 1934.

Supervising Principal.



## REPORT OF TRUSTEES

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

Finance.—In spite of unusual costs of snow removal, additional fuel for Hall and Municipal Building, damage from storms to street lights, reduced Hall rentals and the extra activities mentioned below the Village closes its fiscal year with a cash balance of \$2,450.20, approximately the same balance as at the end of the previous year.

Protection.—Through the generosity of the Vermont Marble Company in reducing the rates upon street lights it has been possible to give the Village increased protection by burning the street lights throughout the night. In addition there has been a night patrol on foot and car by police at a total cost of \$1,102.86, of which the Town contributed \$367.62 leaving a net cost to the Village of \$735.24.

Village Hall.—The wisdom of rewiring the Village Hall in 1932 became evident in 1933 from the reduction in insurance premiums, a material saving for the future as well as a refund of \$164.83 for the current year. For proper maintenance of the Hall and to make work for the unemployed the interior was repainted throughout for the first time since before the flood of 1927, at a cost of \$469.55, of which the Town contributed \$200.00, or a net cost to the Village of \$269.55. To make Community activities possible hall rentals were reduced.

## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

Care has been taken to properly maintain the Village water and sewer systems. The increase in the cost of labor and supplies is attributable to the laying of a pipe line from the main to the center of the highway near the marble bridge, the painting of the stand pipe and freezings during the past extreme cold.

A. Tuttle Patterson . 1934  
Wallace M. Fay . . 1935  
John B. Flanagan . . 1936

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1932	\$ 2,392 99
Received for 1931 Taxes	40
Received for 1932 Taxes	2 75
Received for 1933 Taxes	6,947 79
1% on Tax 1933 except Intangible	45 95
Hall Rent	259 50
Peddler's Licenses	17 50
Police Duty and car	367 62
Stamps, Tele. calls, etc.,	3 87
Unearned discount on tax	2 06
Refund Insurance—Village Hall	164 83
Refund Village portion work relief	200 00
Cash	20 00
	<hr/> \$10,425 26

## Disbursements

Bond Paid	\$ 1,000 00
Interest on bonds	160 00
Interest on Temporary loans	29 93
Proctor Band	27 77
Garbage disposal and dump labor	815 26
Street Lighting	1,850 28
Street lamps, repairs, etc.	368 24
Village Hall (Inc. lights)	642 95
Village Hall Janitor	300 00
Village Hall Insurance	324 71
Village Hall Painting	469 55
Municipal Building ((Inc. lights)	251 39
Officers Bonds	50 00
Town of Proctor, Clerk	126 57
Town of Proctor, 1% on Tax	45 95
Parks	111 82



Telephone	58 19
Labor and Supplies	129 34
Police Duty and car	1,102 86
Snow removal on stairs	110 25
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	\$ 7,975 06
Balance on hand to 1934	2,430 20
Cash in till	20 00
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	\$10,425 26

Loan from Proctor Trust Co. \$1500.00  
 Loan Paid \$1500.00

## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1932	\$ 189 96
From Water Rents	10,746 26
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	\$10,936 22

## Disbursements

Bonds Paid	\$ 4,000 00
R. Proctor notes paid	3,000 00
Interest on bonds and notes	1,115 84
Labor & Supplies (Inc. Commissioner)	1,852 81
Taxes on Chittenden land	127 30
Care of Filter	300 00
Town of Proctor, Clerical work	150 00
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	\$10,545 95
Balance to 1934	390 27
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	\$10,936 22

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1932	\$ 2,867 67
Received for 1931 Taxes	3 20
Received for 1932 Taxes	14 30
Received for 1933 Taxes	41,015 87
Unearned discount on taxes	11 43
1% on tax 1933 except Intangibles	266 62
State of Vermont, Vocational	428 75
State of Vermont, Transportation	141 99
State of Vermont, Superintendent	250 00
Books and supplies	645 82
Miss Proctor	1,964 21
Tuition	138 34
Refund Insurance	13 20
Land Rent 1932	9 78
Medical aid	23 45
Interest on Escheat Funds	278 97
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	\$48,073 60

## Disbursements

Bonds Paid	\$ 4,000 00
Interest on bonds	740 00
Interest on temporary loans	330 69
Labor	41
Town of Proctor, 1% on tax	266 62
Prudential Committee Orders	41,538 46
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	\$46,876 18
Balance to 1934	1,197 42
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	\$48,073 60

Loan from Proctor Trust Co. \$25,000.00  
 Loan Paid \$25,000.00

## STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES, 1933.

## Both Town and Village

1475 Polls @ \$1.50 State Flood Tax	\$ 2,212 50
Village Polls 1418 @ \$1.90	2,694 20
Town Polls 57 @ \$1.70	96 90
	<hr/> \$ 5,003 60
Village Property Grand List	
\$22,102.59 @ \$1.90	\$41,995 17
Town Property Grand List	
\$ 753.66 @ \$1.70	1,281 23
	<hr/> \$43,276 40
	\$48,280 00
Less 4% to Taxpayers on all but State Tax	1,848 84
	<hr/> \$46,431 16
Refund from State Intangible Tax	23,860 20
	<hr/> \$70,291 36
Total of all taxes that can be collected	

## Collected as follows

Polls paid Treasurer 1460	\$ 4,837 13
Polls paid Collector 12	39 46
Polls Abated 3	9 58
Property tax paid Treasurer	41,446 13
Property tax paid Collector	71 50
Property tax unpaid	27 36
	<hr/> \$46,431 16
Intangible tax paid by State	23,860 20
	<hr/> \$70,291 36
1% to Treasurer	462 83
	<hr/> \$69,828 53

## Divided as follows:

State Flood Tax			\$ 2,186 10
	Direct	Intangible	
General Town Acct.	\$ 6,968 22	\$ 3,767 40	
Highway Account	5,766 71	3,139 50	
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Total Town Tax	\$12,734 93	\$ 6,906 90	19,641 83
General Village Acct.	\$ 4,436 19	2,511 60	
School Acct.	26,574 17	14,441 70	
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Total Village Tax	\$31,010 36	\$16,953 30	\$ 47,963 66
			<hr/> \$69,791 59
Abated Polls			9 58
Unpaid Property Tax			27 36
			<hr/> \$69,828 53

## Abated Taxes

Poll Taxes 1931 Abated	\$3 84
Poll Taxes 1932 Abated	17 75
Property Tax 1932 Abated	76

## Unpaid Taxes

1931 Estate of Mary Noonan	\$20 01
1932 Estate of Mary Noonan	32 25
1933 Estate of Mary Noonan	27 36

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Treasurer.

## REPORT OF AUDITORS

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer, the Village Trustees and the Prudential Committee for the year ending February 28, 1934, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

The resources of the Village not including unpaid taxes are as follows:

## Resources

Unrestricted accounts, Proctor Trust Co.	\$ 1,276 88
Restricted account, Proctor Trust Co.	2,741 01
Cash in till	20 00
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	\$ 4,037 89

## Liabilities

Water & Sewer Bonds outstanding	\$10,000 00
Funding & School Bonds outstanding	20,000 00
Outstanding loan for filter	11,000 00
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	\$41,000 00
Net Liabilities	\$36,962 11

Since the net liabilities of the Village for the year ending February 28, 1933 were \$47,483.22 there is a decrease of liabilities during the year 1933 of \$10,521.11.

Financial Condition of Village Account  
as compared with last year.

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

February 28, 1933, Balance	\$2,392 99
February 28, 1934, Balance	2,450 20

## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

February 28, 1933, Balance	\$ 189 96
February 28, 1934, Balance	390 27

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

February 28, 1933, Balance	\$ 2,867 67
February 28, 1934, Balance	1,197 42

The estimate of the Village general expense and the necessary tax rate, therefor, has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

M. M. Aronson,  
F. J. Olney,  
A. F. Belisle,

Auditors.

## BONDED DEBT

Water and Sewer	\$10,000 00
Payable Jan. 1, 1935	\$5,000 00
Jan. 1, 1936	5,000 00

In addition to the above there is an outstanding loan of \$11,000.00 to be paid when funds are available.

Village and School	\$20,000 00
Payable April 1, 1934	\$5,000 00
April 1, 1935	5,000 00
April 1, 1936	5,000 00
April 1, 1937	5,000 00

Of above annual payments on April 1, Village General must pay \$1,000.00 each year and School must pay \$4,000.00 each year.

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Treasurer.

## Budget Com. Recommend

Taxes for 1933		Tax for 1934
Highway	\$ .25	\$ .25
School	1.15	1.45
Town	.30	.50
Village	.20	.20
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	\$1.90	\$2.40



## PROCTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

## ANNUAL REPORT—1933

Chief Engineer	H. C. Belcher
Chief	H. A. Collin
Assistant Chief	H. W. Johnson
Captain	A. A. Tenerani
Captain	R. W. Chutter
Clerk	C. B. Keefe
Engine Man	Neilo Bowman

## FIREMEN

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Ralph Broadwell  
Henry Walleth  
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Henry Loso  
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Clifford Monahan

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George Johnson  
Frank Lajoice  
James Cyr  
David Ogilvie  
Hercules Zambelli  
Emile Pelchat  
Herbert Curtis  
Algot Sedergrén  
Thomas Mohan

During the year the company met four times for day meetings and eight times for practice with apparatus.

## ALARMS WERE ANSWERED AS FOLLOWS:

Jan. 1, 6:45 A. M. Chimney, Champine house, Pittsford  
Jan. 10, 10:30 A. M. Partition, 28 Green Sq.  
Jan. 20, 6:30 P. M. F. S. Eckley house, oil stove explosion.  
Jan. 24, 1:40 P. M. Chimney, 33 West St.  
Mar. 2, 1:45 P. M. Chimney, 85 Beaver Pond Road.  
Apr. 10, 3:15 P. M. Grass along C. & P. R. R.—West St.  
Apr. 20, 11:40 A. M. Brush, White's Crossing.  
Apr. 22, 6:45 A. M. Chimney, 21 Meadow St.

Apr. 25, 7:00 P. M. Grass north of Beaver Pond.  
May 1, 2:20 P. M. Brush near Florence Station.  
May 5, 6:45 A. M. Chimney, 6 Terrace Hill.  
May 15, 3:00 P. M. Pipe covering near V. M. Co. surge tank.  
June 17, 11:45 A. M. Chimney, 127 West St.  
July 14, 9:10 P. M. Walter Johnson's barn.  
July 19, 7:15 P. M. V. M. Co., Electric Repair Shop.  
July 20, 6:20 P. M. Redfield Proctor barn.  
Oct. 22, 3:00 P. M. Brush below end of High St.  
Nov. 15, 2:30 P. M. Chimney, 41 Meadow St.  
Nov. 24, 8:30 P. M. Chimney, John Lebo house, South St.  
Nov. 25, 8:30 A. M. Chimney, 33 North St.  
Nov. 30, 7:30 P. M. John Caldi barn, Pittsford.  
Dec. 4, 10:00 P. M. Chimney, 37 Williams St.  
Dec. 7, 12:05 A. M. Attic, 65 East St.  
Dec. 15, 10:20 A. M. Garage, 31 Florence Road.  
Dec. 15, 9:30 P. M. Chimney and partition, Wilkins Farm.  
Dec. 27, 12:15 P. M. Chimney, 15 Eden Ave.  
Dec. 29, 8:30 A. M. Chimney, 31 Green Sq.  
Dec. 30, 10:00 A. M. Chimney, 25 Market St.

The estimated fire damage in the Town of Proctor for the year was \$1,000.00.

During the past year the forty gallon chemical tank from the American La France pumper was remounted on the Pierce Arrow truck. The pumper was equipped with a 90 gallon booster tank making it a more efficient apparatus for fighting fires where the water supply is limited. The pumper has also been equipped with 1½" hose and nozzles which can be used where heavy streams are unnecessary.

We now feel that the department is unusually well equipped for a village of this size.

The members are appointed yearly by the Vermont Marble Co., which bears the entire expense of maintaining the Fire Department.

Henry A. Collin, Chief.  
Cecil Curtis, Clerk.

## W A R N I N G

The legal voters in Village Meeting of the Village of Proctor, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the Village Hall in said Village, on Tuesday the 27th of March, A. D. 1934 at 4:00 P. M. to act on the following matters, to wit:

1. To elect a President, Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three Auditors and three Fire Wardens, each to serve for the term of one year, one Trustee and one member of the Prudential Committee, each to serve for the term of three years.

2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Village Officers.

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8. To see if the Village will defray the expense of surety bonds for Village Officers where bonds are required by law.

9. To see if the Village will authorize the President and Trustees to divide the Village into districts for zoning purposes as authorized by Act. No. 55 of the laws of 1931 and in accordance with the terms and provisions of said act.

10. To see if the Village will vote to provide for the erection of a new school auditorium and to improve the Village Hall and if so to appropriate money therefor.

11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

A. T. Patterson,

W. M. Fay,

J. B. Flanagan,

Trustees.

Proctor, Vermont, March 13, 1934.



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
  
of the  
  
**Board of Officers**  
  
of the  
  
**Village of Proctor**  
**VERMONT**

**For the Fiscal Year Ending February 28th**

**1935**

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**A. J. NOVAK PRINTING CO.**  
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## VILLAGE OFFICERS

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President	.	.	.	.	.	A. Tuttle Patterson
Clerk	.	.	.	.	..	Sarah B. Humphrey
Treasurer	.	.	.	.	.	Sarah B. Humphrey
Collector	.	.	.	.	.	Edwin S. Johnson

### Trustees

Wallace M. Fay	.	.	.	.	.	.	1935
John B. Flanagan	.	.	.	.	.	.	1936
Frank J. Olney	.	.	.	.	.	.	1937

### Prudential Committee

Henry A. Collin	.	.	.	.	.	.	1935
Benjamin Williams	.	.	.	.	.	.	1936
Sinclair T. Allen	.	.	.	.	.	.	1937

### Auditors

Melcher M. Aronson	.	.	.	.	.	.	First
Albert F. Belisle	.	.	.	.	.	.	Second
Carl G. Linder	.	.	.	.	.	.	Third

### Fire Wardens

Henry C. Belcher	.	.	.	.	.	.	First
Henry A. Collin	.	.	.	.	.	.	Second
Herbert W. Johnson	.	.	.	.	.	.	Third

## REPORT OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

The committee desires to call attention to some pertinent facts in the following table of school statistics covering the past six years. The expense of operating our schools has declined steadily since 1930. Economy and sacrifice are in a sense synonymous, and these reductions have been largely due to sacrifices on the part of our teachers in smaller salaries and on the part of the pupils in that they have been denied advantages which we might have liked to have given them. The committee feels that under present economic conditions, prudence is vital in the expenditure of public as well as of private income.

Another interesting item is the fact that the tax rate has declined steadily from year to year until 1934 when it was increased by thirty cents. For several years the schools have had the benefit of about fourteen thousand dollars from the intangible tax refund. In anticipation of the time when this refund would be withdrawn, making necessary the meeting of the entire budget thru direct taxes, the committee has endeavored to gradually reduce the tax rate as much as possible. The turning point was reached last year when the intangible refund was reduced about nine thousand dollars, making necessary the above mentioned increase of thirty cents in the rate. Facing a further probable reduction in the intangible refund, another increase of thirty cents will be necessary. Even so, the tax rate will be but slightly higher than the rate of 1929.

Year	No. of Pupils	Regular Teachers	Pupils Per Teacher	Tax Rate	Operating Expense	Expense Per Pupils
1929	647	24	27	\$1.70	\$51,914.42	\$80.24
1930	636	24	26.5	1.60	53,074.16	83.45
1931	652	22	29.6	1.45	51,099.53	78.37
1932	645	21	30.7	1.30	47,792.12	74.10
1933	627	20	31.4	1.15	41,538.46	66.25
1934	618	21	29.4	1.45	40,505.35	65.54

The school curriculum has been carried out much the same as last year, except that a reduction was made in the size of some classes through the employment of an additional teacher. Physical education for girls was not offered this year. A start was made to provide the boys with instruction in practical arts.

In order to furnish employment for men under the VERA, the committee authorized the painting of the exteriors of all buildings and the refinishing of the interiors of all except the North Building. This overran the budget allowance for repairs, but it seemed a matter of economy to do so at this time. With the exception of the floors in the South and Central Buildings, our schools are now in pretty good condition.

The operating expenses for last year are listed below, together with the budget for next year. It will be noted that we plan to continue operating upon the present basis. This basis we consider a minimum below which we do not feel that we can go and still give our children an adequate education.

	Expense 1934	Budget 1935
Salaries	\$29,897.50	\$30,050.00
Repairs	2,626.76	2,000.00
Furniture	183.17	150.00
Water and lights	662.35	650.00
Transportation	850.00	850.00
Fuel	2,156.81	2,200.00
Supplies	1,721.08	1,700.00
Books	1,176.66	1,200.00
Sundries	787.21	700.00
Insurance	443.81	400.00
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	\$40,505.35	\$39,900.00
	1934 Exp.	1935 Budget
Bonds	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Interest on bonds	560.00	420.00
Interest on temporary loans	188.83	200.00
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	\$45,309.59	\$44,520.00

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Collin,  
Benjamin Williams,  
Sinclair T. Allen,

Prudential Committee.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

for the Year ending March 1, 1935

To the Prudential Committee, Proctor, Vermont:

I have the honor to present to you my ninth annual report. The problems of a new group entering school and the advancement of other groups from grade to grade are never the same. To study their needs and watch their development is a most interesting task.

The work in the several grades has been well done. Our teachers have had excellent training and years of successful experience. Our new teachers have done good work and their classes show proper understanding of the work in hand. There is a fine spirit of understanding and cooperation. The work in some grades has been seriously hampered by the number of absences due to the epidemic of scarlet fever. There is, however, time to complete the work of the year before the close of school in June.

Complete and comprehensive series of tests from Grade One through Grade Eight have been helpful in understanding the individual child and in nearly every case have agreed with the teachers' record of accomplishment.

There have been few changes in the work of the Junior High School. Too many students were admitted to the Seventh Grade last year "on condition." The scholarship of the Junior group has improved as shown by the fewer subject failures and the number of those taking "make-up" work. The Junior High School teachers are each teaching one subject in the Senior High School in order to carry out our Senior High School program.

Two post-graduates and one of our older students have helped regularly with the study halls.



The work of the High School has proceeded along the lines started last year. I recommend that another year of French be added to the course for those who take French and that the study of Latin be limited to two years. I also recommend that American History and Government be made a "required subject" for all who graduate from high school.

There is need to emphasize Spelling and Penmanship in the grades and it is recommended that some method be devised for such instruction in high school, at least, until every student shall meet some minimum requirement in both of these subjects.

There are serious difficulties in our teaching of English due to the requirements of the colleges and to the fact that all students must take English. There is need of much more written English but this is a difficult matter since all of the teacher's time when not in the class-room is taken up with study halls. There is no chance for conferences. Obviously there is no opportunity to make suggestions and corrections except in class time.

I still approve of our plan for teaching Mathematics. Three years is sufficient for college preparation. These subjects are mainly for the college group and high standards of attainment can and must be maintained.

The number of "subject failures" or "near-failures" in all classes at mid-years is a matter of serious concern. Far too many students have dropped subjects, in every case at the written request of parents. There is an inexplicable lack of enthusiasm which goes with mental exactitude, a lack of thoroughness which goes with interest.

I wish to commend to you the work that has been done by our debating teams, the work done in prize speaking and music, the work of putting on plays, the success of our basketball teams, the work of the Students' Association and

Students' Council in sponsoring traffic regulations in High School and the splendid work of the Student Patrol which won the Governor's Senior Cup last year.

I wish further, to commend to you the practical work being done in Home Economics, in Commercial subjects and General Shop and recommend the extension of this work for those who desire practical training and experience along these lines.

I wish to append to my report a brief resume of the work of the School Nurse.

March 1, 1934 to June 20, 1934: Office Calls, 830; Home Visits, 84; Doctor's office, 12; Hospital Calls, 10; Whooping Cough, 1; Scarlet Fever, 1; Mumps, 1.

September 1934 to March 1, 1935: Scarlet Fever, 29; Fractures, 2; Drs. Hack and Somers, 18; Home Visits, 121; German Measles, 1; Hospital Calls, 12; Glasses, 12; Office Calls to January 30, 1935, 1423.

An average of fifty children have received milk. Forty-six children are having hot lunches.

In closing, I wish to express my personal appreciation for your help and advice in administering the Public Schools of Proctor.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence L. Joy,  
Supervising Principal.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

In co-operation with the Selectmen, work has been carried on by relief forces on parks, stairs, painting and garbage disposal as well as for the water and sewer account. The surplus on hand at the beginning of the year has been used, consequently it will be necessary to raise taxes to cover all the expense of operating the Village for the ensuing year.

## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

The water and sewer expense includes the purchase of a sewer cleaning machine and extra material and labor for unusual repairs after the trying winter of a year ago.

As detail of work done for the Village by Federal and State Relief funds is included in the Town Report it is not repeated here.

W. M. Fay,  
J. B. Flanagan,  
F. J. Olney,  
Trustees.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1933	\$ 2,430 20
Received for Taxes 1933	40
Received for Taxes 1934—General	4,267 15
Received for Taxes 1934—Intangible	712 52
Refund for lamp post and light broken	57 88
Hall Rent	177 50
Unearned discount on taxes	1 80
Peddler's License	5 00
Contribution Police Account	416 00
Cash	20 00
1% on 1934 Taxes	43 05
	<hr/> \$ 8,131 50

## Disbursements

Bond Paid	\$ 1,000 00
Interest on bonds	140 00
Proctor Band	25 00
Garbage disposal and dump labor	840 11
Street Lighting	1,927 87
Street lamps, repairs, etc.	292 21
Village Hall (Inc. lights)	693 08
Village Hall Janitor	300 00
Village Hall Insurance	127 75
Municipal Bldg. (Inc. lights)	304 84
Officers Bonds	50 00
Map of Village Limits	32 35
Plans on proposed new buildings	66 55
Town of Proctor, Clerk	76 89
Parks	103 77
Telephone	75 05

Labor and supplies	50 78
Office supplies	91 90
Rebuilding and labor on stairs	299 29
Painting (Municipal Bldg. interior)	19 25
Police	1,448 92
1% on 1934 Taxes to Town of Proctor	43 05
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	\$ 8,008 66
Balance to 1935	102 84
Cash in till	20 00
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	\$ 8,131 50

## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1933	\$ 390 27
Received for Water Rents	10,908 80
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	\$11,299 07
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	\$11,689 55

## Disbursements

Bonds Paid	\$ 5,000 00
Interest on Bonds	300 00
R. Proctor notes paid	3,000 00
Interest to R. Proctor	512 50
Care of Filter	300 00
Taxes on Chittenden land	127 30
Rent on Chittenden land	8 00
Refund water rent	4 18
Rutland R. R. Sewer Crossing	1 00
Labor & Supplies (Inc. Commissioner)	2,286 57
Town of Proctor, Clerical work	150 00
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	\$11,689 55

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1933	\$ 1,197 42
Received for Taxes 1933	2 60
Received for Taxes 1934—Direct	32,306 42
Received for Taxes 1934—Intangible	5,165 75
Unearned discount on Taxes	12 75
State of Vermont, Vocational	225 00
State of Vermont, Transportation	116 17
Books and supplies	607 04
Land Rent	9 78
Medical aid	63 14
Interest on Escheat Funds	255 46
Interest on Savings (Acct. now closed)	39 64
1% on 1934 Taxes	325 91
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	\$40,327 08
Loan from Proctor Trust Co.	5,500 00
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	\$45,827 08

## Disbursements

Bonds Paid	\$ 4,000 00
Interest on bonds	560 00
Interest on temporary loans	188 33
Prudential Committee Orders	40,505 35
1% on 1934 Taxes to Town of Proctor	325 91
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	\$45,579 59
Balance to 1935	247 49
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	\$45,827 08
Loan from Proctor Trust Co.	\$12,000 00
Loan Paid	12,000 00

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Treasurer.



## STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES, 1934.

## Both Town and Village

1476 Polls @ \$1.50 State Flood Tax	\$ 2,214 00
Village Polls 1424 @ \$2.40	3,417 60
Town Polls 52 @ 2.20	114 40
	<hr/> \$ 5,746 00
Village Property Grand List	
\$21,280.95 @ \$2.40	\$51,074 28
Town Property Grand List	
\$ 836.90 @ \$2.20	1,841 19
	<hr/> \$52,915 47
	\$58,661 47
Less 4% to Taxpayers on all but State Tax	2,263 93
	<hr/> \$56,397 54
Refund from State Intangible Tax	8,550 21
	<hr/> \$64,947 75

## Collected as follows:

Polls paid Treasurer	1411	\$ 5,352 30
Polls paid Collector	26	98 42
Polls Abated	4	15 20
Polls Unpaid	35	133 00
Property tax paid Treasurer		50,542 48
Property tax paid Collector		7 91
Property tax Abated		2 30
Property tax Unpaid		245 93
		<hr/> \$56,397 54
Intangible tax paid by State		8,550 21
		<hr/> \$64,947 75
1% to Treasurer		558 94
		<hr/> \$64,388 81

## Divided as follows:

State Flood Tax			\$ 2,134 34
	Direct	Intangible	
General Town Acct.	\$11,156 18	\$1,781 29	
Highway Account	5,578 08	890 65	
Total Town Tax	<hr/> \$16,734 26	<hr/> \$2,671 94	\$19,406 20
General Village Acct.	\$ 4,267 15	\$ 712 52	
School Account	32,306 42	5,165 75	
Total Village Tax	<hr/> \$36,573 57	<hr/> \$5,878 27	\$42,451 84
			<hr/> \$63,992 38
Polls Unpaid			133 00
Polls Abated			15 20
Property Unpaid			245 93
Property Abated			2 30
			<hr/> \$64,388 81

## Unpaid Taxes

Polls unpaid	\$ 136 50
Property unpaid	
John Horvath, Sr.,	3 40
Charles Noonan	1 03
Estate of Mary Noonan	36 00
C. W. Lewis (Town)	220 63
1931 Est. Mary Noonan	20 01
1932 Est. Mary Noonan	32 25
1933 Est. Mary Noonan	27 26
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Total unpaid (Plus discount)	\$ 477 08

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Treasurer.

**Bonded Debt**

Water and Sewer \$ 5,000 00

Payable January 1, 1936.

In addition to the above there is an outstanding loan of \$8,000.00 to be paid when funds are available.

Village and School \$15,000 00

Payable April 1, 1935 \$5,000 00

April 1, 1936 5,000 00

April 1, 1937 5,000 00

Of above annual payments on April 1, Village

General must pay \$1,000.00 each year  
and School must pay \$4,000.00 each year.

**Taxes****Budget Com. Recommend**

	1933	1934	1935
Highway	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .25
School	1.15	1.45	1.75
Town	.30	.50	.75
Village	.20	.20	.25
	<u>\$1.90</u>	<u>\$2.40</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Treasurer.

**REPORT OF AUDITORS**

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer, the Village Trustees and the Prudential Committee for the year ending February 28, 1935, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

**Statement of Receipts and Disbursements**

For Year Ending Feb. 28, 1935.

**TOTAL RECEIPTS**

General Account	\$ 8,131 50
Water and Sewer Account	11,299 07
School Account (not including temporary loan receipts)	40,327 08
Temporary School Loans from Proctor Trust Co.	17,500 00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$77,257 65</b>

**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS**

General Account	\$ 8,008 66
Water and Sewer Account	11,689 55
School Account (not including temporary loans paid)	45,579 59
Temporary School Loans paid Proctor Trust Co.	12,000 00
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$77,277 80</b>

Deficit for Year \$20.15

(Temporary School Loan \$5500.00 from Proctor Trust Co. Unpaid.)

### Statement of Resources and Liabilities

The resources of the Village, not including unpaid water rents and unpaid taxes, are as follows:

Cash in till	\$20 00
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The liabilities of the village are as follows:

Proctor Trust Co., Overdraft	\$ 40 15
Water and Sewer Bonds outstanding	5,000 00
Funding and School Bonds, outstanding	15,000 00
Filter Loan outstanding	8,000 00
Temporary School Loans, outstanding	5,500 00
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	\$33,540 15
Net Liabilities	\$33,520 15

Since the net liabilities of the Village for the year ending February 28, 1934 were \$36,692.11, there is a decrease in liabilities during the year 1934 of \$3,441.96.

Financial condition of Village Accounts and Amount of Outstanding Bonds and Loans as compared with last year:

	Increase in Assets or decrease in liabilities for 1934	Decrease in Assets or Increase in liabilities for 1934
General Account		
Feb. 28, 1934 Balance	\$2450 20	
Feb. 28, 1935 Balance	122 84	\$2,327 36
Water and Sewer Account		
Feb. 28, 1934 Balance	\$ 390 27	
Feb. 28, 1935 Deficit	390 48	780 75
School Account		
Feb. 28, 1934 Balance	\$1197 42	
Feb. 28, 1935 Balance	247 49	949 93

### Outstanding Bonds and Loans

Feb. 28, 1934 Total \$41,000 00

Feb. 28, 1935 Total 33,500 00 \$7,500 00

Totals	<hr/>	\$7,500 00	\$4,058 04
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Net decrease in Liabilities \$3,441.96

The estimate of the Village expense and the necessary tax rate therefor, has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

Melcher M. Aronson,

Albert F. Belisle,

Carl G. Linder,

Auditors.



# **PROCTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT**

## **ANNUAL REPORT—1934**

Chief Engineer	H. C. Belcher
Chief	H. A. Collin
Assistant Chief	H. W. Johnson
Captain	A. A. Tenerani
Captain	R. W. Chutter
Clerk	Cecil Curtis
Engine Man	Neilo Bowman

## **FIREMEN**

### **First Squad**

John Fortier  
 Charles Billings  
 Ralph Broadwell  
 Henry Wallett  
 Arthur Allard  
 Ben Doane  
 Oscar Olson  
 Walter Ladabouche  
 Henry Loso  
 George Loso  
 Clifford Monahan

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 David Ogilvie  
 Hercules Zambelli  
 Emile Pelchat  
 Herbert Curtis  
 Algot Sedegren  
 Thomas Mohan

During the year, the department met four times for meetings and eight times for practice with apparatus.

Forty alarms were answered, twelve more than last year. Nineteen of the alarms were for chimney fires and eight for grass and brush fires. There were no serious fires in the village and the property loss was negligible. The department responded to three calls from Pittsford and one each from East Pittsford and Rutland Town.

Several items of new equipment were received, including 500 feet of 2½ inch hose, eighteen waterproof coats, a shut-off nozzle and a collapsible ladder.

The members are appointed annually by the Vermont Marble Company, which bears the entire expense of maintaining the department.

Henry A. Collin, Chief  
 Cecil Curtis, Clerk.

## WARNING

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5. To see if the Village will vote to accept the provisions of Sections 785 to 791 inclusive, of the Public Laws, for the collection of taxes by the Village Treasurer.

6. To see if the Village will authorize the Trustees to borrow money for the temporary use of the Village.

7. To see if the Village will defray the expense of surety bonds for Village Officers where bonds are required by law.

- 8 To see if the Village will vote to concur with the Town in the creation of a joint Budget Committee.

9. To hear and act upon the report of the Committee appointed to investigate the question of New Public Buildings.

10. To see if the Village will vote to raise money for the Proctor Band, and if so, how much?

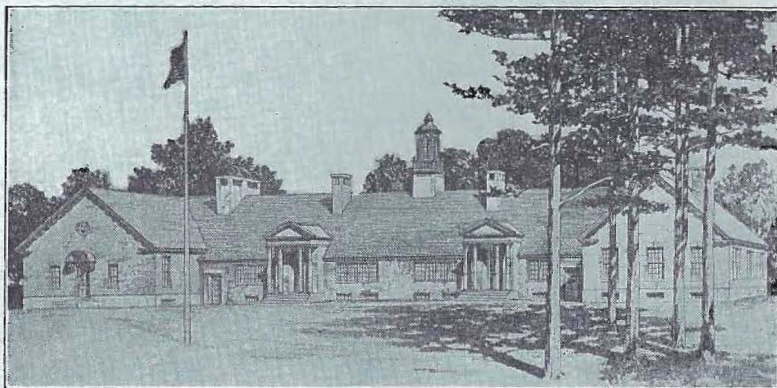
11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Clerk.



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Fifty-First  
Annual Report of Officers



VILLAGE OF PROCTOR  
VERMONT

Year Ending February 29th  
1936

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The Village of Proctor was incorporated November 25, 1884 about two years before the Town of Proctor.

The story of our schools is an interesting one. According to tradition, there was a school house near the Falls probably used previous to 1800 and a few years later. There was also another school at the Sutherland home, which was on the site of the present Myron Warner house. Since 1836 the schools have had various buildings, until now we have the beautiful High School Building shown on the cover. This was built in 1917.

## VILLAGE OFFICERS

President	Wallace M. Fay
Clerk	Sarah B. Humphrey
Treasurer	Sarah B. Humphrey
Collector	Edwin S. Johnson

## Trustees

John B. Flanagan	1936
Frank J. Olney	1937
Vaughan F. Boyce	1938

## Prudential Committee

Robert W. Chutter	1936
Sinclair T. Allen	1937
Henry A. Collin	1938

## Auditors

Albert F. Belisle	First
Carl G. Linder	Second
Edward W. Olson	Third

## Fire Wardens

Henry C. Belcher	First
Henry A. Collin	Second
George Loso	Third

## REPORT OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

The Prudential Committee must report the resignation during the past year of Mr. Benjamin Williams. This was greatly regretted by the remainder of the Committee in view of Mr. Williams' deep interest in the children of the community, and his experience and foresight in handling school affairs. Mr. R. W. Chutter was appointed by the Village Trustees to serve for the balance of the year.

The Committee has continued to apply to the best of their ability the principles of strict economy in so far as consistent with good instruction and healthful environment in the schools.

The following statistics will give a helpful picture of the situation:

Year	No. of Pupils	Regular Teachers	Pupils		Operating Expense	Expense Per Pupil
			Per Teacher	Tax Rate		
1929	647	24	27	\$1.70	\$51,914.42	80.24
1930	636	24	26.5	1.60	53,074.16	83.45
1931	652	22	29.6	1.45	51,099.53	78.37
1932	645	21	30.7	1.30	47,792.12	74.10
1933	627	20	31.4	1.15	41,538.46	66.25
1934	618	21	29.4	1.45	40,505.35	65.54
1935	592	21	28.1	1.75	40,998.09	69.25

It will be noted that school expenses were constantly decreased over a period of five years, but that the tax rate was reduced to a greater degree during the same period. This was made possible by the refund to the Village of the intangible tax down to the year 1934. Since this refund has been withdrawn there has been a slight increase in the tax rate, but neither this increase nor the small contribution from

State funds for school purposes has been sufficient to make up the deficit. We feel that we have arrived at practically the minimum amount that is necessary for school purposes, and that there must be some increase.

Through the use of WPA funds to pay for the labor involved, we have been able to lay new floors in two corridors, and four class rooms in the Central Building, and in the corridors of the South Building. The only cost borne by the Village is for the purchase of materials. The plan is to continue during the coming year to take care of similar necessary repairs. In general the buildings are in better condition than they have been for a number of years. The schools still lack, however, adequate facilities for physical education, or for general school assemblies. Our present room is nowhere near large enough for either athletic contests or school entertainments.

Details of the school curriculum will be covered by a Report of the Supervising Principal. The work has been carried on harmoniously and efficiently and although many innovations are being recommended by educational leaders throughout the country we feel that we are offering most of the essentials and under present conditions cannot undertake more.

A comparison of the operating expenses of the year just closed with those of the previous year will follow. We feel not only it would be impossible to reduce the expenses during the coming year, but that it will be necessary to increase some items. Besides, the law recently enacted covering the school year and the accounting will require some special action. If the Budget Committee and the voters could decide it is best at this time to provide funds to cover our needs until the end of the school year June 30, 1937, the additional columns of figures will give the necessary estimate so far as we can foresee.



Expense	Budget	
	Mar. 1, 1936 Feb. 28, 1937	Mar. 1, 1937 June 30, 1937
Salaries	\$30,750.02	\$32,100.00
Repairs	1,380.25	1,000.00
Water and lights	480.27	500.00
Transportation	850.00	850.00
Fuel	2,323.25	2,300.00
Supplies	2,023.83	1,800.00
Books	1,809.24	1,200.00
Sundries	800.13	800.00
Insurance	530.00	530.00
	<hr/> \$40,998.09	<hr/> \$41,080.00
		<hr/> \$14,930.00

Robert W. Chutter,  
Sinclair T. Allen,  
Henry A. Collin,  
Prudential Committee.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

for the Year Ending March 1, 1936

To the Prudential Committee, Proctor, Vermont:

There is considerable confusion concerning what this report should cover since the new school law calls for a report from July 1, 1935 to June 30, 1936. This report will cover the conditions of the schools from March 1, 1935 to March 1, 1936.

This is my tenth annual report and I say again that the work in the grades is being faithfully and conscientiously done by well trained and experienced teachers. No unusual experiments have been tried or outstanding work done, differing much from other years. Children differ and groups of children differ in their response to different teachers. The results of the work done in a single grade is not the same one year as another. The teachers vary their methods according to the needs of their grades. For a large proportion of the children entering the first grade there is need of pre-school activities, either of the kindergarten or nursery school type.

In the public schools we are just beginning to see the necessity for individualizing our instruction. We cannot do this with our present type of class room and grade set-up. Some of our grades are still too large to secure good results. Every effort is being made to enrich the work in the lower grades by using extra drill pads in English and Arithmetic and supplementary work through the use of the mimeograph. Health work is being fostered with new text books in the grades, beginning with the third and on through the eighth. The teachers receive valuable mimeographed material each month from the State Department of Education. This has to do with Play Activities, Health and Physical



Education. All this is supplemented by the work of our School Nurse. Some teachers are giving much needed instruction in Drawing and Art work. All the grades would be greatly benefited by regular instruction, guided by a well trained teacher.

The length of employment of our teacher group is above the average. After many years of faithful and efficient work, Miss Bertha Cary has resigned her position. Her many friends, fellow teachers and former pupils wish her happiness and long life in our midst. Her faithfulness, interest in her pupils and efficient service have endeared her to all who know her.

While many criticisms come to me concerning the work of the school, I feel sure that most of those who criticize do not realize how difficult it is to meet the needs of all the children of all the people. Pupils differ in their natural rate of progress. Those pupils who are quicker and work fast are held back by those going at a slower rate. Those going at a slower rate do not have the attention given to them which they need. Sometimes unnecessary failures are caused by these conditions. An ideal situation would be to provide facilities that each pupil might progress at his own rate of ability. This would mean smaller classes and quite a different organization of the work than at present. It is well worth thinking about, however, for we would do away with the deadening sense of failure which comes from keeping together in a single grade, for a whole year, pupils with widely differing abilities. The slower group and the quicker group would gain a sense of mastery and the scholarship of all our pupils would be greatly enhanced.

I believe that much of our work in Arithmetic might be revised and that 100% accuracy should be required in all those operations which have to do with every day living. More attention should be given to Reading in all our grades.

Many of our failures in Junior and Senior High School are due to a lack of ability in Reading. All pupils should be required to write legibly and with some degree of speed. More time needs to be given in the Intermediate Grades and in Junior and Senior High school to written expression of ideas. There has seemed to be a lack of understanding of the fundamentals of the English language in the high schools. Most of the emphasis in both schools for the past year has been directed to correct this lack by the use of drill exercises in all classes. More writing of English will be required in the Upper Grades and in High School hereafter.

The State Department of Education is again rating our school buildings, teachers and courses. Without doubt the High School will lose the "Superior" rating which it has had for some years. This will be due in large part to our failure to provide courses in Physical Education. Our boys do not suffer as much as the girls. There is a real need of instruction in Physical Education for all students. I wish to emphasize my conviction that along with our regular work we need to do more in Physical Education, Health, practical courses in Manual Training, Art and Home Economics.

Our Student Patrol needs no special mention. It speaks for itself and its work is approved by all. The Student Council exerts a helpful influence in High School. The basket ball interest has maintained our previous good standing among the schools of their section. The stand taken by the Prudential Committee concerning eligibility has been unanimously adopted by the Marble Valley League as a rule of action and has been recommended to the Headmasters' Club for state wide adoption.

The report of the School Nurse shows 2666 office calls, 187 home visits, 20 cases sent to the doctor and 6 hospital cases. Forty-five children have been furnished free milk and 40 others are buying it. Hot lunches have been served each

noon to approximately 48 children. \$155 has been contributed by private individuals, the Red Cross and the P. T. A. The Sewing Center has clothed the school children so well that there has been little for the Nurse to do. The other activities of the Nurse and her efficient assistant, a recent graduate, are too numerous to mention here.

It is expected that another year this report, through the work of the State Department of Education and its Director of Educational Research, can be made more valuable by the setting up of standards of good practice, the showing of unit costs per pupil of various services and a comparison of practices in schools of like size.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence L. Joy,  
Supervising Principal.

March 10, 1936.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

### General Account

The items for this account which appear in the Treasurer's Report are much the same from year to year and about as anticipated when the budget was made up last year.

The Special Policing expense was made necessary by conditions existing within the community. It has been covered by extra contributions as agreed upon by the Trustees. The regular Policing was made a year around duty as recommended at the Village Meeting a year ago.

At a Special Village Meeting held December 7, 1935, the following ordinance was adopted:—

“No person or persons shall within the limits of the Village be permitted to parade either on foot, or in vehicle, or on horseback for any purpose whatsoever without first obtaining a written permit from the Village Trustees.”

For additional protection twenty seven citizens were sworn in as Special Village Police.

### Water and Sewer Account

The old bonded indebtedness of the Water and Sewer Systems has been paid off this year and there remains \$8,000.00 of the cost of the filter. The income this year has dropped off because of vacant houses and unpaid water rents. The deficit from last year has been paid and there is a balance this year to be applied toward the filter obli-



tions. About the same amount must be expected for running expenses and maintenance. There are some necessary repairs to be made on the standpipe, together with the unexpected emergencies which may occur throughout the water and sewer system.

The items for labor and supplies cover the purchasing of one new hydrant and the resetting of six; repairing nine breaks in the water mains and three sewer lines which were stopped; material used in connection with a W.P.A. Project for replacing an old  $\frac{3}{4}$ " line with a 2" line and lowering the water mains on Ormsbee and Warner Avenues and Olympus Road. This work of lowering was done to overcome freezing caused by snow removal on the highways. A short section was lowered on Curtis Ave. without W.P.A. aid.

A blow-off on the line to the Upper Reservoir was connected to the Swimming Pool by an open ditch. This allows all surplus water in the summer to run into the pool without any danger of drawing down on the standpipe. This work was done under the V.E.R.A.

We wish to remind all users of the Village water and the Sewer system that we shall continue the policy of the past regarding the maintenance of house services. The Village is not responsible for house services. It assumes responsibility for the water mains, the shut-off at the main and the lead connecting pipe, but all service and maintenance from that point is the responsibility of the property owner, whether occurring in the road or on the owner's property.

The Village is not responsible for the freezing of any service lines even when an emergency demands that the water be shut off or because of the lack of water.

A similar policy is followed in connection with the Sewer System. The Village maintains the main sewer but

property owners must maintain the individual house services to the main sewer.

All new connections or repairs at either the water or sewer mains must be done under the supervision of the Commissioner.

The sudden death of Mr. Mahaffy on March 28, 1935 was a great loss to the entire community as well as the Water and Sewer Department which he served so faithfully and thoughtfully as Commissioner.

John B. Flanagan,  
Frank J. Olney,  
Vaughan F. Boyce,

Trustees.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1934	\$ 102 84
Received for Taxes 1934	1 58
Received for Taxes 1935	5,115 20
Unearned discount on Taxes	1 23
Peddler's License	5 00
Stamp money	2 15
Police supplies	12 13
Hall Rent	207 50
Special Police	1,504 74
Town of Proctor—Police	563 01
1% on 1935 Taxes	51 52
Cash	20 00
	<hr/> \$7,586 90
Loan Proctor Trust Co.	1,500 00
	<hr/> \$ 9,086 90

## Disbursements

Bonds Paid	\$ 1,000 00
Interest on Bonds	100 00
Proctor Band	25 00
Garbage disposal and dump labor	821 12
Street Lighting	1,799 96
Street lamps, repairs, etc.	227 62
Village Hall (Inc. lights)	381 11
Village Hall Janitor	300 00
Village Hall Insurance	273 59
Municipal Bldg. (Inc. lights)	332 64
Officers' Bonds	50 00
Parks	148 99
Labor and supplies	35 32

Office supplies	89 52
Police, patrol and supplies	1,779 06
Special Police	1,504 74
Interest on temporary loans	37 91
Stairs—Snow removal	34 76
Town of Proctor—Clerk	58 10
1% on 1935 Taxes	51 52

	<hr/> \$ 9,050 96
Balance on hand to 1936	15 94
Cash in till	20 00
	<hr/> \$ 9,086 90
Loan Proctor Trust Co.	\$2,100 00
Loan Paid	\$2,100 00

## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Received for Water Rents	\$ 9,853 24
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## Disbursements

Deficit from 1934	\$ 390 48
Bonds Paid	5,000 00
Interest on Bonds	150 00
Interest to R. Proctor	320 00
Care of Filter	300 00
Chittenden Taxes	127 30
Rent on Chittenden Land	8 00
Refund Water Rent	8 37
Supervision	644 00
Labor	962 99
Supplies	816 58
Town of Proctor, Clerical work	150 00
	<hr/> 8,877 72
Balance on hand to 1936	975 52
	<hr/> \$ 9,853 24

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1934	\$ 247 49
Received for Taxes 1934	157 00
Received for Taxes 1935	37,083 54
Unearned discount on taxes	9 26
State of Vermont—Vocational	50 00
State of Vermont—State Support	3,557 42
Sutherland Paper refund	80 40
Books and supplies	766 88
Land Rent	9 78
Telephone calls paid	4 00
Tuition note	22 00
1% on 1935 Taxes	373 53
Interest on Escheat Funds	230 82
Check redeposited	25 00
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	\$42,617 12
Loan from Proctor Trust Co.	9,000 00
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	\$51,117 12
Deficit to 1936	80 42
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	\$51,697 54

## Disbursements

Bonds Paid	\$ 4,000 00
Interest on bonds	400 00
Interest on temporary loans	425 92
1% on 1935 Taxes	373 53
Paid Proctor Trust Co. 1934 Loan	5,500 00
Prudential Committee Orders	40,998 09
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	\$51,697 54
Loan from Proctor Trust Co. \$13,500 00	
Loan Paid 13,500 00	
Sarah B. Humphrey,	
Treasurer.	

## STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES, 1935.

## Both Town and Village

1223 Polls @ \$1.50 State Flood Tax	\$ 1,834 50
1223 Polls @ 1.00 Old Age Assistance	1,223 00
Village Polls 1178 @ \$3.00	3,534 00
Town Polls 45 @ 2.75	123 75
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	\$ 6,715 25
Village Property Grand List	
\$20,410.43 @ \$3.00	\$61,231 29
Town Property Grand List	
\$ 854.90 @ \$2.75	2,350 99
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	\$63,582 28
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	\$70,297 53
Less 4% to Taxpayers on all but State Taxes	2,689 64
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Total of all taxes that can be collected	\$67,607 89

## Collected as follows:

Polls paid Treasurer	1168	\$ 6,274 24
Polls paid Collector	15	80 22
Polls Partial Payments		
to Collector	5	11 50
Polls Abated	1	5 38
Polls Unpaid	34	197 60
Property tax paid Treasurer		60,495 46
Property tax paid Collector		123 88
Property tax Unpaid		419 61
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		\$67,607 89
Less 1% to Treasurer		667 69
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		\$66,940 20

## Divided as follows:

State Flood Tax	\$ 1,756 98
Old Age Assistance Tax	1,171 32
General Town Account	\$15,892 93
Highway Account	5,297 64
Total Town Tax	\$21,190 57
General Village Account	\$ 5,115 20
School Account	37,083 54
Total Village Tax	\$42,198 74
	\$66,317 61
Polls Abated	5 38
Polls Unpaid	197 60
Property Tax Unpaid	419 61
	\$66,940 20

## Unpaid Taxes

Polls 1934 Abated	\$ 15.60	
Polls 1934 Paid	20.95	
Polls 1934 Unpaid		\$ 99 95
Polls 1935 Unpaid		202 25
Property Unpaid		
John Horvath, Sr.	1934	1 40
Est. Mary Noonan	1931	20 01
Est. Mary Noonan	1932	32 25
Est. Mary Noonan	1933	27 26
Est. Mary Noonan	1934	36 00
Est. Mary Noonan	1935	46 35
Henry Booth	1935	2 75
C. W. Lewis	1935	349 71
Edwin Swahn	1935	4 50
John Horvath, Sr.	1935	25 50
Joseph Monahan	1935	8 00
Stephen W. Young	1935	1 20
John Kanerva	1935	1 50
Mrs. W. W. Martin	1935	75
Total Unpaid (Plus Discount)		\$ 859 38

## Bonded Debt

Village and School \$10,000.00

April 1, 1936 \$5,000.00  
 April 1, 1937 \$5,000.00

Village General must pay \$1,000.00 each year  
 School must pay \$4,000.00 each year.

Water and Sewer have an outstanding loan of \$8,000.00  
 used on filter construction.

## Taxes

			Budget Comm. Recommend	
	1933	1934	1935	1936
Highway	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .25
Town	.30	.50	.75	1.50
School	1.15	1.45	1.75	1.90
Village	.20	.20	.25	.25
	<u>\$1.90</u>	<u>\$2.40</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$3.90</u>



## REPORT OF AUDITORS

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer, the Village Trustees and the Prudential Committee for the year ending February 29, 1936, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

### Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

For the Year Ending Feb. 29, 1936

#### TOTAL RECEIPTS

General Account	\$ 7,586 90
Temporary General Loans from Proctor Trust Company	3,600 00
Water and Sewer Account	9,853 24
School Account (not including temporary loan receipts)	42,617 12
Temporary School Loans from Proctor Trust Co.	22,500 00
Total Receipts	\$86,157 26

#### TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

General Account	\$ 9,050 96
Temporary General Loan paid Proctor Trust Co.	2,100 00
Water and Sewer Account	8,877 72
School Account (not including temporary loans paid)	46,197 54
Temporary School Loans paid Proctor Trust Co.	19,000 00
Total Disbursements	\$85,226 22

Balance for Year \$931.04

### Statement of Resources and Liabilities

The resources of the Village, not including unpaid water rents and unpaid taxes, are as follows:

Cash in till	\$ 20 00
Balance in savings and check accounts	911 04
Total Resources	\$ 931 04

The liabilities of the Village are as follows:

Temporary General Loan, outstanding	\$ 1,500 00
Funding and School Bonds, outstanding	10,000 00
Filter Loan outstanding	8,000 00
Temporary School Loans, outstanding	9,000 00

Total Liabilities	\$28,500 00
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Net Liabilities	\$27,568 96
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Since the net liabilities of the Village for the year ending February 28, 1935 were \$33,520.15, there is a decrease in liabilities during the year 1935 of \$5,951.19.

Financial condition of Village Accounts and Amount of Outstanding Bonds and Loans as compared with last year:

		Increase in Assets or Decrease in liabilities for 1935	Decrease in Assets or Increase in liabilities for 1935
General Account			
Feb. 28, 1935 Balance	\$122 84		
Feb. 29, 1936 Balance	35 94		\$ 86 90
Water and Sewer Account			
Feb. 28, 1935 Deficit	\$390 48		
Feb. 29, 1936 Balance	975 52	\$1,366 00	

## School Account

Feb. 28, 1935 Balance	\$247 49	
Feb. 29, 1936 Deficit	80 42	327 91

## Outstanding Bonds and Loans

Feb. 28, 1935 Total	\$33,500 00	
Feb. 29, 1936 Total	28,500 00	5,000 00
Totals	\$6,366 00	\$414 81

Net decrease in Liabilities \$5,951.19

The estimate of the Village expense and the necessary tax rate therefor, has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

As voted at the Town Meeting, we have made a "Joint Town and Village Financial Statement", which is respectfully submitted.

## JOINT TOWN AND VILLAGE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## Balances from 1934

Town General Deficit	\$18,915 86
Town Highway	.....
Village General Deficit	2,877 16
Village School Deficit	17,252 51
Village Water and Sewer Deficit	13,390 48

Total Town and Village deficit to 1935 \$52,436 01

## Year's Results

	Operating Income	Operating Expense	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
Town General	\$ 65,980.83	\$ 98,874.53	.....	\$32,893.70
Town Highway	12,190.01	12,190.01	.....	.....
Village General	5,907.80	6,494.70	.....	586.90
Village School	41,996.10	41,824.01	172.09	.....
Village Water & Sewer	9,853.24	3,487.24	6,366.00	.....
	\$135,927.98	\$162,870.49	\$6,538.09	\$33,480.60
		135,927.98		6,538.09
Total Operating Loss for 1935		\$26,942.51		\$26,942.51

## Joint Town and Village Deficit to 1936:

Town General	\$51,809 56
Town Highway	.....
Village General	3,464 06
Village School	17,080 42
Village Water and Sewer	7,024 48

Total Town and Village Deficit to 1936 \$79,378 52

NOTE: The above includes all outstanding bonds and unpaid loans.

Albert F. Belisle,  
Carl G. Linder,  
Edward W. Olson,  
Auditors.

# **PROCTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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Chief Engineer	H. C. Belcher
Chief	H. A. Collin
Assistant Chief	H. W. Johnson
Captain	A. A. Tenerani
Captain	R. W. Chutter
Clerk	Cecil Curtis
Engine Man	Neilo Bowman

## **FIREMEN**

### **First Squad**

Henry Loso  
 Arthur Allard  
 Carl Anderson  
 Alfred Baccei  
 Charles Billings  
 Ben Doane  
 Elmer Erickson  
 George Loso  
 Thomas Mohan  
 Clifford Monahan  
 Oscar Olson

### **Second Squad**

William Walleth  
 George Carlson  
 Herbert Curtis  
 George Johnson  
 Louis Lertola  
 Charles L'Herault  
 Michael Levis  
 David Ogilvie  
 Emil Pelchat  
 Algot Sedegren  
 Hercules Zambelli

During the year, the department met four times for meetings and eight times for practice with apparatus.

Twenty-nine alarms were answered, twenty-three of which were for chimney fires. There were no serious fires in the village and the property loss was negligible. The department responded to two calls from the Town of Pittsford.

No major items of equipment were purchased.

From November 11th until the end of the year, a night squad of six men were on duty at the fire station.

The members are appointed annually by the Vermont Marble Company which bears the entire expense of maintaining the department.

Henry A. Collin, Chief

Cecil Curtis, Clerk.



## WARNING

The legal voters in Village Meeting of the Village of Proctor, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the Village Hall in said Village on Tuesday the 31st day of March, A. D. 1936 at 1:00 o'clock P. M. to act on the following matters, to wit:

1. To elect a President, Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three Auditors and three Fire Wardens, each to serve for the term of one year, one Trustee and one member of the Prudential Committee, each to serve for the term of three years.

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4. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise for the support of schools, and if so, how much?

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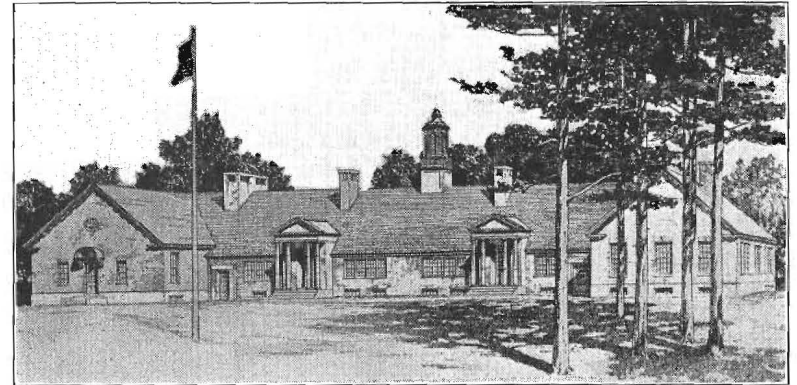
9. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise for the expenses of schools, for the period from the close of the Village fiscal year until June 30, 1936, in order to comply with the requirements of Section 89 of the Acts of 1935.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Clerk.

March 17, 1936.

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## VILLAGE OF PROCTOR VERMONT

Year Ending February 27th  
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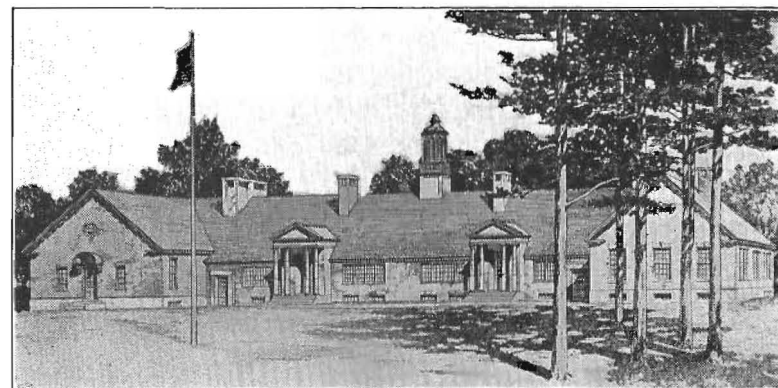
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10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Clerk.

March 17, 1936.

## Fifty-Second Annual Report of Officers



## VILLAGE OF PROCTOR VERMONT

Year Ending February 27th  
1937

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RUTLAND, VT.

## VILLAGE OFFICERS

President	John B. Flanagan
Clerk	Sarah B. Humphrey
Treasurer	Sarah B. Humphrey
Collector	Edwin S. Johnson

### Trustees

A. Tuttle Patterson	1937
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## REPORT OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

In its routine of duties pertaining to the operation of our school system, the Prudential Committee is constantly aware of the numerous ways in which this system could be improved. Yet these improvements can only come about by adding to our operating expense and this of course incurs an increase in tax, which our people can ill afford to pay. So as usual, the Committee has tried to live within its means and obtain as much as possible from the funds available.

We again present the comparative table of statistics.

Year	No. of Pupils	Regular Teachers	Pupils Per Teacher	Tax Rate	Operating Expense	Expense Per Pupil
1929	647	24	27	\$1.70	\$51,914.42	\$80.24
1930	636	24	26.5	1.60	53,074.16	83.45
1931	652	22	29.6	1.45	51,099.53	78.37
1932	645	21	30.7	1.30	47,792.12	74.10
1933	627	20	31.4	1.15	41,538.46	66.25
1934	618	21	29.4	1.45	40,505.35	65.54
1935	592	21	28.1	1.75	40,998.09	69.25
1936	591	22	26.9	1.90	42,236.96	71.46

We would like to call your attention to the fact that the tax rate of \$2.00 recommended for next year is 85c more than the low rate of 1933. This is due to the fact that we no longer receive the return on intangible tax which was approximately \$14,400.00 or the equivalent of 70c on the Grand List. Inasmuch as the expense of operating our schools has increased, it simply means that we must raise by direct taxation that which was lost by the withdrawal of the intangible tax return, plus enough to reduce the indebtedness incurred the last few years.

Because the pay of our teachers was reduced twenty per cent a few years ago, the Committee felt an increase of five per

cent was justified. In our budget for next year we have made allowance for another like increase.

We again made use of WPA funds and put down new floors in the study hall of the Central Building and all four class rooms of the South Building. Our buildings are kept in good condition, but since they are old, they and their equipment are in constant need of repair.

Again we call your attention to the fact that our High School lacks facilities for physical education, general assemblies and is cramped for adequate class room space. Inasmuch as during the year 1937 we will pay off the last of the school bonds, we recommend that a study be made to find a means of improving these facilities.

We call your attention to the report of the Supervising Principal and the many problems and difficulties which arise in trying to adapt our more or less standard curriculum to the type of students now in high school. We feel that we are not giving the majority of our pupils that type of instruction which will enable them to become useful citizens. Lack of facilities and funds make any radical change impossible.

The following is a table of operating expenses for the Village year ending February 27, compared with the budget for next year.

	Expense 1936	Budget 1937
Salaries	\$28,334.66	\$29,938.00
Office Expense	1,153.12	1,230.00
Books	1,437.90	1,200.00
Supplies	1,989.45	2,000.00
Sundries	368.87	400.00
Janitors	2,624.00	2,750.00
Janitor Supplies	276.97	300.00
Fuel	2,468.35	2,500.00
Light and Water	605.32	600.00
Repairs	1,789.23	1,500.00
Furniture	119.21	200.00
Transportation	880.00	900.00
Insurance	189.88	500.00
	<hr/> \$42,236.96	<hr/> \$44,018.00

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

for the Year Ending March 1, 1937

To the Prudential Committee, Proctor, Vermont:

I beg to present my eleventh annual report on the Proctor Public Schools. While the school year, by law, extends from July 1st, 1936 to June 30th, 1937, by custom, the school report extends from February 29th, 1936 to March 1st, 1937. My report will be in general terms. Records of school attendance, pupil rating, written reports from teachers covering the work done in each grade and each class in high school, as well as special tests showing achievement and intelligence ability are on file at the office.

The work in the grades has proceeded along accepted lines and has been well done. The same teachers, for the most part, have received new groups of students and given them careful supervision and instruction. A new system of reading has been adopted and books and material provided through the first three grades. Our purpose has been to furnish better reading material with the expectation that reading ability will be improved. There is a real need for such improvement as shown by the reading ability of students in the upper grades and high school. For the most part failures are due to carelessness or a lack of reading ability.

New mathematics books in Junior high school as well as new English material and the continuance of the Rugg series in social studies gives good training to these pupils. Some method must be devised to take into account, in the grades, as well as in the Junior-Senior High School, the ability levels which are found in every grade and class.

There are those pupils in each group who can do only the minimum amount of work in his group. There is another group which can do well the work commonly accepted as desirable for his grade or class. There are exceptional pupils in each group



who need and should have work suited to their several abilities. We cannot, with our present organization, separate these groups and probably it is not desirable, if we could. As they go through school and out into life they are going to live together. There are bound to be varying ability levels outside of school as well as in school. Individual instruction is a desirable goal but we can only partially attain it. It is very evident, however, from intelligence and achievement tests, a study of school marks, the teachers' estimates, etc., that many students are not working up to capacity. We can well ask—Why do pupils fail?

1. Do they fail because of low intelligence?
2. Do they fail because they have acquired the habit of failing in the grades below?
3. Do pupils, in general, fail because they have a feeling or attitude of inferiority or because they have an attitude of superiority?
4. Do they fail because they are not interested in their school work?
5. Do they fail because they have inherent learning defects?
6. Do they fail because of physical defects or poor health?
7. Do they fail because of irregular attendance at school?
8. Do they fail because they dislike a subject or are unable to master it or is pupil-failure more a matter of pupil-teacher adjustment?

There does not appear to be a sole cause for failure. It is likely that there are a number of causes which contribute significantly. It has been interesting to study into this matter very carefully at summer school and with ten or twelve superintendents and supervising principals during the past year. In comparison with other systems and schools we seem to have less than the normal number of such failures.

Since a uniform standard of attainment for secondary school pupils cannot be maintained, standards should be determined for each individual on the basis of his abilities and interests. In other words, every pupil completing a secondary school curriculum should be given a diploma which should specify the nature and quality of the work completed. This is coming to be an accepted policy even in our best schools.

Do we who are parents and have children in school realize the changes which have taken place, especially in secondary education, since we were in schools. The high schools in 1890-1900 were attended by the intellectual and social elite—a homogeneous body with parents in a preferred economic, vocational or social position. High schools are now attended by all the children of all the people—a heterogeneous student body drawn from every group in the community, with corresponding diversity of background, capacity and future prospects.

The curriculum for pupils in the earlier period was for those boys and girls economically and intellectually capable of attending the secondary school. The curricula of the later period should provide every child of secondary school age an opportunity to develop whatever talent he may possess.

The methods of the earlier period called for the passive absorption of text-books. The methods of today place emphasis on learning through active participation in life-like activities. Whatever is taught should be based upon a study of the capacities, present needs and future plans of individual students.

The results expected in the earlier period were satisfactory if the high school was successful in eliminating all but the intellectually elite and gave the select few who went on to higher institutions of learning the preparation which fitted them to make high marks in college. The high school of today is successful if it retains children in school and discovers the particular sub-



ject-matter and activities which equip them successfully to meet the varied demands of a complex and rapidly changing civilization.

Since my last report we have lost Miss Kobera, Mr. Listzwan, Miss Goodsell, Miss Crowley, Miss Eveleth and Mrs. Taffs, all capable and efficient teachers, loved by their pupils, and respected by their fellow teachers. Miss Isaranda F. Sanborn tendered her resignation, effective March 8, 1937. Her many friends, former students, pupils and teachers now in school will regret her departure. Miss Sanborn came to Proctor in 1925 after several years as teacher of English in New York and Greenfield, Massachusetts. Her creative and artistic ability has been shown in the success of her pupils in college, the high quality of her school plays and the success of her pupils in debate and prize speaking.

Miss Marion Hackett who has taught six years in the Rutland High School, four years in Stratford, Connecticut, as well as nearly three years in Proctor will take the English work in high school. Her former position, now open, will be filled at an early date.

I wish to commend to you the fine spirit and creditable work of the new teachers who have taken positions since my last report. I approve of the work that has been done in physical education and recommend its continuance. The same type of work should be done with the boys who do not have a chance to take an active part in athletics. I hope that the time will soon come when the health and physical education of all our girls and boys can be taken care of upon the campus. It is very much to be desired that we should have a school nurse, at least, on part time. We have been fortunate in having no serious disturbance in our school population, except for whooping-cough but I feel, from the experience of other years, that we should not tempt fortune too far.

The extra-curricular activities of the schools have been carried on with notable success. The School Patrol merits the

approval of all. Our debating team goes into the quarter-finals very soon. Our students have won exceptional honors in music and prize speaking. Our athletic teams, especially in basketball, have made a fine record under capable and efficient guidance, in spite of rather severe handicaps.

The P. T. A., the Library, the Red Cross and other agencies in Proctor have been most helpful in meeting some of the needs of the school.

It has been a pleasure to serve in the schools of Proctor for nearly eleven years. I appreciate the fine spirit of cooperation of the teachers and those who have served on the Prudential Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence L. Joy,  
Supervising Principal.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

### General Account

There is little to call to the Taxpayers' attention in connection with the General expenses of the Village during the past year compared with those expenses of the previous year, with the exception of the cost of replacing street lights. You will note the expense of street lamp repairs, after deducting the refund on replaced lamp post was \$344.51.

If taxpayers will prevent or report any malicious damage to lights this unusually large expense could be materially reduced.

Thanks to private contributions of \$360.00 the cost of the police patrol was decreased.

The last of the Village bonded debt will be retired on April 1, 1937 by the payment of \$5,000.00 then due, leaving a Village debt carried under Temporary Loans of \$12,000.00, nine thousand of which is attributable to the Schools.

### Water and Sewer Account

The water rent income of the past year was \$2,812.45 larger than the previous year due to special efforts in the collection of past due accounts. It has been the Trustees' policy of the past year to insist upon payment of current rent when due with modest but regular payments on old accounts. As a result, the loan for the construction of the filter made in 1927 outstanding on March 1, 1936 of \$8,000.00 has been paid in full, thus leaving the Water and Sewer account free of debt.

As a consequence, it now seems practical to reduce water rents beginning April 1, 1937. New rates have been established

on residential property of 75c a month for those having taps and toilet but no bath; a monthly charge of \$1.00 for those having standard facilities not in excess of two tubs and two toilets and for all facilities in excess thereof 10c a month for each extra facility. No charge is being made for the present for use of hose, however, any abuse of the use of hose, may force an extra charge for its use.

These new rates create a saving to householders of about 20%, yet provide sufficient revenue to meet current expenses and build up gradually a reserve fund for any major repairs or replacements that may be required in the future.

The items for Labor and Supplies given in the Treasurer's Report cover the cost of maintenance and repairs during the year.

Beside the new roof on the Stand Pipe, two hydrants were replaced, and one relocated.

The water main was relaid over the Rutland Railroad at the new North Street Bridge, and one break repaired on West Street. Several private service lines were repaired under the direction of the Commissioner and any costs were collected from the property owners.

No major repairs were made to the Sewer System. A man-hole was added on Park Street and several lines were cleared when found obstructed. Both water and sewer connections were made for the diner, operated by O. Gilbert.

A. Tuttle Patterson,  
Vaughan F. Boyce,  
Henry Wallett,

Trustees.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1935	\$15.94
Received for Taxes 1934	2 87
Received for Taxes 1935	7 11
Received for Taxes 1936	5,193 42
Unearned discount on Taxes	2 56
Police supplies	6 61
Hall Rent	171 50
Replaced lamp post	76 25
1% on 1936 Tax	52 27
Refund Special Police	43 20
Town of Proctor—Police	567 34
Donation Police	360 00
Cash	20 00
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	\$6,519 07
Loan 1936	3,000 00
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	\$9,519 07

## Disbursements

Bonds Paid	\$1,000 00
Interest on Bonds	60 00
Proctor Band	25 00
Garbage disposal and dump labor	909 36
Street Lighting	1,748 84
Street lamps, repairs, etc.	
(Inc. replaced lamp post)	420 76
Village Hall (Inc. coal and lights)	408 90
Village Hall Janitor	300 00
Village Hall Insurance	173 46
Municipal Bldg. (Inc. coal and lights)	337 33

Officer's Bonds	50 00
Parks	85 01
Office supplies	199 03
Police patrol and supplies	1,801 51
Special Police	43 20
Interest on temporary loans	27 47
Clerical work	12 07
1% on 1936 Taxes	49 40
Stairs—Snow removal	25 56
Paid 1935 Loan	1,500 00

	<hr/>	\$9,176 90
Cash in till		20 00
Balance on hand to 1937		322 17
	<hr/>	\$9,519 07
Loan 1936	\$1,050 00	
Loan 1936 Paid	\$1,050 00	



## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1935	\$975 52
Received for labor and supplies on service lines	60 23
Received for Water Rents	12,665 69
	<hr/> \$13,701 44

## Disbursements

Paid loan on Filter, R. Proctor	\$8,000 00
Interest on loan	214 25
Care of Filter	300 00
Chittenden Taxes	127 30
Rent on Chittenden Land	8 00
Refund Water Rent	7 81
New Stand Pipe roof	316 00
Supervision	1,121 86
Labor	697 08
Supplies	403 03
Clerical work	350 96
Office supplies	158 42

	\$11,704 71
Balance on hand to 1937	1,996 73
	<hr/> \$13,701 44

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Received for Taxes 1934	\$20 75
Received for Taxes 1935	269 86
Received for Taxes 1936	40,817 38
Unearned discount on taxes	30 12
State of Vermont—State support	3,304 77
Books and supplies	884 72
Land Rent	9 78
Tuition note	3 50
1% on 1936 Taxes	409 97
Refund Typewriter	7 50
Interest on Excheat Funds	185 21
Check redeposited	1 50
	<hr/> \$45,945 06
Loan 1936	9,000 00
	<hr/> \$54,945 06
Deficit to 1937	1,478 54
	<hr/> \$56,423 60

## Disbursements

Deficit from 1935	\$80 42
Bonds Paid	4,000 00
Interest on bonds	220 00
Interest on temporary loans	498 69
1% on 1936 Taxes	387 53
Paid 1935 loan	9,000 00
Prudential Committee Orders	42,236 96
	<hr/> \$56,423 60
Loan 1936	\$19,000 00
Loan 1936 Paid	\$19,000 00

## STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES 1936

## Both Town and Village

1289 Polls @ \$1.75 Old Age Assistance	\$2,255 75
Village Polls 1240 @ \$3.90	4,836 00
Town Polls 49 @ 3.65	178 85
	<hr/> \$7,270 60
Village Property Grand List	
\$20,663.18 @ \$3.90	\$80,586 79
Town Property Grand List	
\$ 856.58 @ \$3.65	3,126 55
	<hr/> \$83,713 34
	\$90,983 94
Less 4% to Taxpayers on all but State Taxes	3,554 54
Total of all taxes that can be collected	<hr/> \$87,429 40

## Collected as follows:

Polls paid Treasurer 1233	\$6,759 81
Polls paid Collector 127	147 27
Polls Abated 1	5 49
Polls Unpaid 28	152 28
Property tax paid Treasurer	79,464 14
Property tax paid Collector	362 84
Property tax unpaid	537 57
	<hr/> \$87,429 40
Less 1% to Treasurer	862 24
	<hr/> \$86,567 16

## Divided as follows:

Old Age Assistance Tax	\$2,205 00
General Town Account	\$32,273 49
Highway Account	5,382 53
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Total Town Tax	\$37,656 02
General Village Account	5,193 42
School Account	40,817 38
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Total Village Tax	\$46,010 80
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	\$85,871 82
Polls Abated	5 49
Polls Unpaid	152 28
Property Unpaid	537 57
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	\$86,567 16

## Unpaid Taxes

Polls Abated	1934	\$7 80	
Polls Paid	1934	61 20	
Polls Unpaid	1934		\$30 95
Polls Abated	1935	38 50	
Polls Paid	1935	116 50	
Polls Unpaid	1935		47 25
Polls Abated	1936	5 65	
Polls Paid	1936	151 23	
Polls Unpaid	1936		156 70
Property Abated	1935	2 25	
Property Unpaid:			
Est. Mary Noonan	1931	20 01	
Est. Mary Noonan	1932	32 25	
Est. Mary Noonan	1933	27 26	
Est. Mary Noonan	1934	36 00	
Est. Mary Noonan	1935	46 35	
Stephen W. Young	1935	1 20	
C. W. Lewis	1936	378 89	
Francis Seward	1936	3 65	
Edwin B. Swahn	1936	7 30	
Claude Austin	1936	60 45	
John Horvath, Sr.	1936	33 15	
Joseph Monahan	1936	5 90	
Est. Mary Noonan	1936	58 50	
Mrs. Edward Senecal	1936	98	
Mrs. Arland Tanner	1936	18 10	
Stephen W. Young	1936	1 56	

Total Unpaid (Plus Discount)

\$966 45

## Bonded Debt

Village and School \$5,000 00

Due April 1, 1937

Village General must pay \$1,000.00

School must pay 4,000.00

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Treasurer.

## Taxes

				Budget Comm. Recommend	
	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Highway	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .25
Town	.30	.50	.75	1.50	1.40
School	1.15	1.45	1.75	1.90	2.00
Village	.20	.20	.25	.25	.25
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	\$1.90	\$2.40	\$3.00	\$3.90	\$3.90



## REPORT OF AUDITORS

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer, the Village Trustees and the Prudential Committee for the year ending February 28, 1937, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

### Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

For the Year Ending Feb. 28, 1937

#### TOTAL RECEIPTS

General Account	\$6,519 07
Temporary General Loans	4,000 00
Water and Sewer Account	13,701 44
School Account (not including temporary loan receipts)	45,945 06
Temporary School Loans	28,000 00
Total Receipts	\$98,165 57

#### TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

General Account	\$7,676 90
Temporary General Loans paid	2,500 00
Water and Sewer Account	11,704 71
School Account (not including temporary loans paid)	47,423 60
Temporary School Loans paid	28,000 00
Total Disbursements	\$97,305 21

Balance for Year \$860.36

### Statement of Resources and Liabilities

The resources of the Village, not including unpaid water rents and unpaid taxes, are as follows:

Cash in till	\$20 00
Balance in check account	840 36

Total Resources	\$860 36
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The liabilities of the Village are as follows:

Temporary General loan, outstanding	\$3,000 00
Funding and School Bonds, outstanding	5,000 00
Temporary School loans, outstanding	9,000 00

Total Liabilities	\$17,000 00
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Net Liabilities	\$16,139 64
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Since the net liabilities of the Village for the year ending February 29, 1936 were \$27,568.96, there is a decrease in liabilities during the year 1936 of \$11,429.32.

Financial condition of Village Accounts and Amount of Outstanding Bonds and Loans as compared with last year:

			Increase in Assets or Decrease in Liabilities for 1936	Decrease in Assets or Increase in Liabilities for 1936
General Account				
Feb. 29, 1936 Balance	\$35 94			
Feb. 28, 1937 Balance	342 17	\$306 23		
Water and Sewer Account				
Feb. 29, 1936 Balance	\$975 52			
Feb. 28, 1937 Balance	1,996 73	1,021 21		
School Account				
Feb. 29, 1936 Deficit	\$80 42			
Feb. 28, 1937 Deficit	1,478 54			\$1,398 12

## Outstanding Bonds and Loans

Feb. 29, 1936 Total	\$28,500 00	
Feb. 28, 1937 Total	17,000 00	11,500 00
Totals	\$12,827 44	\$1,398 12

Net Decrease in Liabilities \$11,429.32

The estimate of the Village expense and the necessary tax rate therefor, has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

The "Joint Town and Village Financial Statement" which was inaugurated last year, can be found on the next page and is respectfully submitted.

## JOINT TOWN AND VILLAGE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## Balances from 1935

Town General Deficit	\$51,809 56
Town Highway	.....
Village General Deficit	3,464 06
Village School Deficit	17,080 42
Village Water and Sewer Deficit	7,024 48

Total Town and Village Deficit to 1936 \$79,378 52

## Year's Results

	Receipts	Disbursements	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
Town General	\$71,966.53	\$71,133.31	\$833.22	.....
Town Highway	7,508.47	7,508.47	.....	.....
Village General	6,439.93	6,633.70	.....	193.77
Village School	45,945.06	43,343.18	2,601.88	.....
Village Water & Sewer	12,725.92	3,704.71	9,021.21	.....
	\$144,585.91	\$132,323.37	\$12,456.31	\$193 77
	132,323.37		193.77	
	\$12,262.54		\$12,262.54	

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements for 1936 \$12,262.54

## Joint Town and Village Balances to 1937:

Town General Deficit	\$50,976 34
Town Highway	.....
Village General Deficit	3,657 83
Village School Deficit	14,478 54
Village Water and Sewer Balance	\$1,996 73
	\$1,996 73
	\$69,112 71
	1,996 73

Total Town and Village Deficit to 1937 \$67,115 98

NOTE: The above includes all outstanding bonds and unpaid loans.

Albert F. Belisle,  
Carl G. Linder,  
Edward W. Olson,  
Auditors.

# PROCTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Chief Engineer . . . . .	H. C. Belcher
Chief . . . . .	H. A. Collin
Assistant Chief . . . . .	H. W. Johnson
Captain . . . . .	A. A. Tenerani
Captain . . . . .	R. W. Chutter
Clerk . . . . .	Cecil Curtis

## FIREMEN

### First Squad

H. Loso  
A. Allard  
C. Anderson  
A. Bacceti  
C. Billings  
B. Doane  
E. Erickson  
G. Loso  
T. Mohan  
C. Monahan  
C. Partridge

### Second Squad

H. Wallett  
G. Carlson  
H. Curtis  
G. Johnson  
L. Lertola  
C. L'Herauld  
M. Leves  
D. Ogilvie  
E. Pelchat  
A. Sedergren  
H. Zambelli

During the year, the department met four times for meetings and eight times for practice with apparatus.

Forty-eight alarms were answered, twenty-nine of which were for chimney fires, eleven for grass or brush, seven for buildings and one for flood duty. The department responded to two calls from the Town of Pittsford.

The members are appointed annually by the Vermont Marble Company which bears the entire expense of maintaining the department.

Henry A. Collin, Chief  
Cecil Curtis, Clerk.



## WARNING

The legal voters in Village Meeting of the Village of Proctor, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the Village Hall in said Village on Tuesday the 30th day of March, A. D. 1937 at 1:00 o'clock P. M. to act on the following matters, to wit:

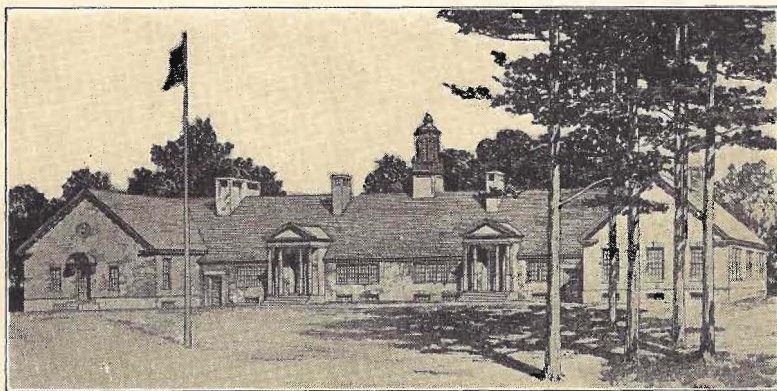
1. To elect a President, Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three Auditors and three Fire Wardens, each to serve for the term of one year, one Trustee and one member of the Prudential Committee, each to serve for the term of three years.
2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Village Officers.
3. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay the expenses of the Village, and if so, how much? The time of payment to be the same as Town taxes.
4. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise for the support of Schools, and if so, how much? The time of payment to be the same as Town taxes.
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Sarah B. Humphrey,

March 15, 1937.

Village Clerk.

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George Loso	Third



## REPORT OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

The Prudential Committee believe that the Proctor School system is in a satisfactory condition. We feel that we have an exceptionally fine group of teachers who are rendering a splendid service to their pupils, both in and out of school. In this respect we are indeed fortunate. The teaching staff is the backbone of any educational system and overshadows our lack of space and facilities.

Our operating expense for the year is in line with that of recent years and is about \$1,500.00 under our budget. We anticipate but little change in this item for the coming year. Inasmuch as the last of the school bonds were retired last April, a proposed tax rate of \$1.95 should cover operating expenses and reduce the debt outstanding on temporary loans.

The following is the comparative table of statistics:

Year	No. of Pupils	Regular Teachers	Pupils per Teacher	Tax Rate	Operating Expense	Expense per Pupil
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1933	627	20	31.4	1.15	41,538.46	66.25
1934	618	21	29.4	1.45	40,505.35	65.54
1935	592	21	28.1	1.75	40,998.09	69.25
1936	591	22	26.9	1.90	42,236.96	71.46
1937	582	22	26.5	2.00	42,497.10	73.02

During the year, the Village purchased the building known as the "Teachers' Dormitory." This house was remodeled under the direction of the Prudential Committee and now serves as a residence for the Supervising Principal. The cost of land, house and repairs was \$4,501.92.

While our High School still lacks the necessary facilities which have bothered us for years, we do not feel that this is a

proper time to recommend any radical and expensive changes.

The State Department of Education recommends Physical Education for both boys and girls. This year, we are for the first time complying fully with that recommendation by adding organized athletics for those boys who need it most, the boys who do not participate in varsity sports.

For details of school administration, we call your attention to the report of the Supervising Principal.

The following is a table of the operating expenses for the Village year ending February 28, 1938, compared with the budget for next year.

	Expense 1937	Budget 1938
Salaries	\$29,859.27	\$30,575.00
Office Expense	992.50	1,000.00
Books	1,546.18	1,500.00
Supplies	2,152.38	2,000.00
Sundries	562.91	500.00
Janitors	2,642.82	2,642.00
Janitor Supplies	109.98	150.00
Fuel	1,762.59	2,500.00
Light and Water	617.31	600.00
Repairs	838.74	1,000.00
Furniture	203.68	50.00
Transportation	900.00	900.00
Insurance	308.74	400.00
	<hr/> \$42,497.10	<hr/> \$43,817.00

We would like to call your attention to the fact that the item of book expense includes the cost of books which are resold to students. The credit from this source was \$1,008.58 making the net cost of books \$537.60.

Henry A. Collin,  
Sinclair T. Allen,  
R. W. Chutter,  
Prudential Committee.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

for the Year Ending March 1, 1938

To the Prudential Committee, Proctor, Vermont:

This is my twelfth annual report on the Proctor Public Schools. All parents of children in the grades and in high school are aware that we are keeping accurate records of attendance, scholarship and progress. Our new report cards attempt to evaluate those qualities in character and good citizenship which should come from a well balanced course of studies taught by experienced teachers.

In the grades we have lost a few students due to changes in the community but we have gained an almost equal number of others. The work has been well and satisfactorily done. All of our teachers are concerned over the varying ability levels found in each of their classes. They are trying to adapt their methods and materials to meet individual needs as well as they can. Some teachers are making real progress in individualized instruction, especially in arithmetic and spelling. There has been more than the usual interest in some types of art work. This has taken many forms. Class rooms have been made attractive with the display of pupils' work upon the walls or the sand table.

I am aware of the unrest and dissatisfaction that exists, on the part of some, with respect to our high schools. I maintain, as in my report of last year, that the chief difficulty is the fact that many students are not working up to capacity. Teachers endeavor to insist upon accurate acquisition and a high degree of mastery. Failure to get desired results is not to be blamed entirely upon the school.

For those not going to college, we have splendid courses in business principles, industrial geography, health and hygiene, useful mathematics, general science, home economics, business

English, political economy, commercial law and other commercial subjects as well as regular instruction in English in all classes.

I know of no other small high school with such a large proportion of qualified men teachers. I wish to commend their work and the work of all our teachers in the class room and the fine influence which they have over the student group.

While I feel that we need a school nurse, I recommend the continuance of physical education for girls. I am pleased with the work being done in physical education for our boys. Two periods per week are given to an activity program and one or two periods per week to health, hygiene and the use of alcohol, as required by law.

The school patrol does a real piece of community service in protecting our young people. Our debating team won the state championship last year and so far this year has won its debates. Our athletic teams have acquitted themselves well. I heartily commend the way in which they have been coached. It has come to me from several sources, not particularly favorable to us, that our athletic teams and student groups, who attend outside contests, are well behaved and show the best of good sportsmanship.

The Red Cross, the P. T. A., the Woman's Club, and many individuals have made our school lunches possible another year. Their gifts are greatly appreciated. I wish that all fathers and mothers would take the time and make the effort to see the beautiful marble tablet placed in the Central Building by members of the Proctor American Legion. Honor, courage, scholarship, leadership and service are the qualities recognized by the Legion as worthy of its award. It may be well to remind those who support any or all of our school activities by their presence, that all monies are carefully accounted for through the commercial department with vouchers for all expense items. Class funds, club funds and athletic funds are reported each month to the Students' Association and placed on file. No money is paid out without the sanction of the principal. All money is kept apart from regular school funds.

Recommendations:

1. The purchase of suitable readers for each of the first six grades.
2. The purchase of suitable reference books for use in the Junior-Senior High Schools.
3. The early completion of changes for Standard or Superior rating of the high school and grades.

I have appreciated the opportunity to serve as your supervising principal for another year. We have also appreciated your efforts in providing such a convenient and comfortable place in which to live. The fine lines of the building add dignity to our campus. It is our purpose to make this a homelike place for teachers and visiting groups to meet when they so desire. We shall be pleased to have anyone interested call at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence L. Joy,  
Supervising Principal.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

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The general running expense of the Village this year varies only slightly from that reported a year ago. The cost of painting the exterior woodwork of the Village Hall and repairing the roof added to that item. The cost of maintenance of the Parks has increased, but included in this item is the cost of painting the flagpole and repairing the Napoleonic Cannon, loaned to the Village by the State.

The new water rents have produced the expected revenue, making possible the sponsoring of WPA projects for extensions of the water mains on South Street and West Street, adding two new hydrants and a new sewer line across the Patch Hill meadow. The interior of the standpipe was cleaned and repainted.

A serious break occurred on Christmas Sunday in the large main serving the Mill Yard hydrants. Nearly the entire Village was without water for a few hours, and portions of the Village were inconvenienced for several days. Because of the unusually dry season in the early Fall the supply was quite limited for several weeks, but it was not necessary to curtail the ordinary use.

WPA expenditures on Village projects are given in the chart of the Town Report.

Vaughan F. Boyce,  
Henry Walleth,  
Frank J. Olney,  
Trustees.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1936	\$ 322.17
Received for Taxes 1934	.19
Received for Taxes 1935	.57
Received for Taxes 1936	8.87
Received for Taxes 1937	5,224.09
Unearned discount on Taxes	1.38
Hall Rent	243.50
1% on 1937 Tax	52.50
Town of Proctor—Police	394.26
Broken light	1.70
Swimming Pool labor	122.41
Cash	20.00
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	\$6,391.64
Loan 1937	1,000.00
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	\$7,391.64

## Disbursements

Bond Paid	\$1,000.00
Interest on Bonds	20.00
Proctor Band	25.00
Garbage disposal and dump labor	867.36
Street Lighting	1,804.85
Street Lamps, repairs, etc.	313.03
Village Hall (Inc. coal and lights)	558.36
Village Hall Janitor	300.00
Village Hall Insurance	92.89
Municipal Bldg. (Inc. coal and lights)	332.22
Officers Bonds	50.00
Parks	284.97
Office Supplies	66.37
New Grillwork in Office	99.43
Police Patrol	1,182.77
Interest on temporary loans	110.29
1% on 1937 Taxes	52.50
Stairs—Snow removal	51.40
Swimming Pool labor	126.84
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	\$7,338.28
Cash in till	20.00
Balance on hand to 1938	33.36
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	\$7,391.64
Loan 1937	\$1,000.00
Loan 1937 Paid	\$1,000.00

## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1936	\$1,996.73
Received for labor and supplies on service lines	95.93
Received for Water Rents	8,396.84
	<hr/> \$10,489.50

## Disbursements

Care of Filter	\$ 300.00
Chittenden Taxes	143.21
Rent on Chittenden Land	8.00
Supervision	1,218.29
Labor	1,528.85
Supplies	2,146.53
Clerical Work	395.31
Office supplies	169.51
Hydrants	123.48
Standpipe Repairs	151.02
Auto Expense	198.18
Damage Claims	51.65
	<hr/> \$6,434.03
Balance on hand to 1938	4,055.47
	<hr/> \$10,489.50

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Received for Taxes 1934	\$ 1.39
Received for Taxes 1935	4.03
Received for Taxes 1936	269.71
Received for Taxes 1937	43,354.81
Unearned discount on taxes	26.03
State of Vermont—State support	3,212.80
Books and supplies	1,008.58
Land Rent	9.78
Tuition note	54.50
1% on 1937 Taxes	436.31
Interest on Escheat Funds	184.42
Rent	60.00
Fire Loss paid	30.59
Sundry Sales	148.62
	<hr/> \$48,801.57
Loan 1937	2,000.00
	<hr/> \$50,801.57
Deficit to 1938	2,738.94
	<hr/> \$53,540.51

## Disbursements

Deficit from 1936	\$ 1,478.54
Bonds paid	4,000.00
Interest on bonds	100.00
Interest on temporary loans	526.64
1% on 1937 Taxes	436.31
Prudential Committee Orders	46,999.02
	<hr/> \$53,540.51
Loans 1937	\$15,500.00
Loans 1937 Paid	\$15,500.00

## STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES 1937

## Both Town and Village

1338 Polls @ \$2.50 Old Age Assistance	\$3,345.00
Village Polls 1290 @ \$3.90	5,031.00
Town Polls 48 @ 3.65	175.20
	<hr/> \$ 8,551.20
Village Property Grand List	
\$20,739.89 @ \$3.90	\$80,885.96
Town Property Grand List	
\$861.23 @ \$3.65	3,143.52
	<hr/> \$84,029.48
	<hr/> \$92,580.68
Less 4% to Taxpayers on all but State Taxes	3,575.09
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Total of all taxes that can be collected	\$89,005.59

## Collected as Follows:

Polls paid Treasurer 1283	\$ 7,996.08
Polls paid Collector 34	211.68
Polls Abated 5	31.20
Polls Unpaid 16	98.64
Property tax paid Treasurer	79,982.63
Property tax paid Collector	206.08
Property tax abated	1.23
Property tax unpaid	478.05
	<hr/> \$89,005.59
Less 1% to Treasurer	879.79
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	\$88,125.80

## Divided as Follows:

Old Age Assistance Tax	\$ 3,260.42
General Town Account	\$30,258.01
Highway Account	5,419.35
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Total Town Tax	\$35,677.36
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General Village Account	\$ 5,224.09
School Account	43,354.81
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Total Village Tax	\$48,578.90
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	\$87,516.68
Polls Abated	31.20
Polls Unpaid	98.64
Property Abated	1.23
Property Unpaid	478.05
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	\$88,125.80

## Taxes

	1934	1935	1936	1937	Budget Comm. Recommend 1938
Highway	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .30
Town	.50	.75	1.50	1.40	1.25
School	1.45	1.75	1.90	2.00	1.95
Village	.20	.25	.25	.25	.25
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	\$2.40	\$3.00	\$3.90	\$3.90	\$3.75



## Unpaid Taxes

Polls Abated	1934	\$3.90	
Polls Paid	1934	3.90	
Polls Unpaid	1934		\$23.15
Polls Paid	1935	11.00	
Polls Unpaid	1935		36.25
Polls Abated	1936	22.60	
Polls Paid	1936	88.90	
Polls Unpaid	1936		45.20
Polls Abated	1937	32.00	
Polls Paid	1937	217.10	
Polls Unpaid	1937		101.15
Property Abated	1937	1.28	

## Property Unpaid:

Est. Mary Noonan	1931	\$20.01	
Est. Mary Noonan	1932	32.25	
Est. Mary Noonan	1933	27.26	
Est. Mary Noonan	1934	36.00	
Est. Mary Noonan	1935	46.35	
Est. Mary Noonan	1936	58.50	
Mrs. Arland Tanner	1936	18.10	
Mrs. Frank Avery	1937	18.25	
C. W. Lewis	1937	297.14	
John Horvath Sr.	1937	28.15	
Mrs. Nora Ladabouche	1937	131.00	
Mrs. Arland Tanner	1937	35.10	

Total unpaid (Plus Discount) \$953.86

## REPORT OF AUDITORS

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer, the Village Trustees and the Prudential Committee for the year ending February 28, 1938, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

## Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

For the Year Ending Feb. 28, 1938

## TOTAL RECEIPTS

General Account	\$6,391.64
Temporary General Loans	2,000.00
Water and Sewer Account	10,489.50
School Account (not including temporary loan receipts)	48,801.57
Temporary School Loans	17,500.00
Total Receipts	\$85,182.71

## TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

General Account	\$ 7,338.28
Temporary General Loans paid	1,000.00
Water and Sewer Account	6,434.03
School Account (not including temporary loans paid)	53,540.51
Temporary School Loans paid	15,500.00
Total Disbursements	\$83,812.82

Balance for year \$1,369.89

### Statement of Resources and Liabilities

The resources of the Village, not including unpaid water rents and unpaid taxes, are as follows:

Cash in till	\$ 20.00
Balance in check account	1,349.89

Total Resources	\$ 1,369.89
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The liabilities of the Village are as follows:

Temporary General loans, outstanding	\$ 4,000.00
Temporary School loans, outstanding	11,000.00

Total Liabilities	\$15,000.00
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Net Liabilities	\$13,630.11
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Since the net liabilities of the Village for the year ending February 28, 1937 were \$16,139.64, there is a decrease in liabilities during the year 1937 of \$2,509.53.

Financial condition of Village Accounts and Amount of Outstanding Loans as compared with last year:

		Increase in Assets or Decrease in Liabilities for 1937	Decrease in Assets or Increase in Liabilities for 1937
General Account			
Feb. 28, 1937 Balance	\$342.17		
Feb. 28, 1938 Balance	53.36		\$ 288.81
Water and Sewer Account			
Feb. 28, 1937 Balance	\$1,996.73		
Feb. 28, 1938 Balance	4,055.47	\$2,058.74	
School Account			
Feb. 28, 1937 Deficit	\$1,478.54		
Feb. 28, 1938 Deficit	2,738.94		1,260.40

### Outstanding Bonds and Loans

Feb. 28, 1937 Total	\$17,000.00	
Feb. 28, 1938 Total	15,000.00	2,000.00

Totals	\$4,058.74	\$1,549.21
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Net Decrease in Liabilities \$2,509.53

The estimate of the Village expense and the necessary tax rate therefor, has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

## JOINT TOWN AND VILLAGE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## Balances from 1936

Town General Deficit		\$50,976.34
Town Highway		.....
Village General Deficit		3,657.83
Village School Deficit		14,478.54
Village Water and Sewer Balance	\$1,996.73	.....
	\$1,996.73	\$69,112.71
		1,996.73

Total Town and Village Deficit to 1937 \$67,115.98

## Year's Results

	Receipts	Disbursements	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
Town General	\$55,634.82	\$54,475.83	\$1,158.99	.....
Town Highway	9,711.40	9,711.40	.....	.....
Village General	6,049.47	6,338.28	.....	\$288.81
Village School	48,801.57	48,061.97	739.60	.....
Village Water & Sewer	8,492.77	6,434.03	2,058.74	.....
	\$128,690.03	\$125,021.51	\$3,957.33	\$288.81
	125,021.51		288.81	
	\$3,668.52		\$3,668.52	

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements for 1937 \$3,668.52

## Joint Town and Village Balances to 1938:

Town General Deficit		\$49,817.35
Town Highway		.....
Village General Deficit		3,946.64
Village School Deficit		13,738.94
Village Water and Sewer Balance	\$4,055.47	.....
	\$4,055.47	\$67,502.93
		4,055.47

Total Town and Village Deficit to 1938 \$63,447.46

NOTE:—The above includes all outstanding bonds and unpaid loans.

Carl G. Linder,  
Edward W. Olson,  
Robert E. Wener,  
Auditors.

## PROCTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

## ANNUAL REPORT—1937

Chief Engineer . . . . .	H. C. Belcher
Chief . . . . .	H. A. Collin
Assistant Chief . . . . .	H. W. Johnson
Captain . . . . .	A. A. Tenerani
Captain . . . . .	R. W. Chutter
Clerk . . . . .	Cecil Curtis

## FIREMEN

## First Squad

Henry Loso  
Arthur Allard  
Carl Anderson  
Alfred Bacceti  
Charles Billings  
Ben Doane  
Elmer Erickson  
George Loso  
Thomas Mohan  
Clifford Monahan  
Dino Bacceti

## Second Squad

Henry Walleit  
George Carlson  
Herbert Curtis  
George Johnson  
Jack Shand  
Louis Lertola  
Charles L'Herault  
Michael Leves  
David Ogilvie  
Emil Pelchat  
Algot Sedegren  
Hercules Zambelli

During the year, the department met four times for meetings and eight times for practice with apparatus.

Thirty-seven alarms were answered, twenty-two of which were Chimney fires. There were no serious fires in the village. The department responded to four out of town calls, three in Pittsford and one in Florence.

No major items of equipment were purchased.

The members are appointed annually by the Vermont Marble Company which bears the entire expense of maintaining the department.

Henry A. Collin, Chief  
Cecil Curtis, Clerk.



## WARNING

The legal voters in Village Meeting of the Village of Proctor, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the Village Hall in said Village on Tuesday the 29th day of March, A.D. 1937 at 1:00 o'clock P. M. to act on the following matters, to wit:

1. To elect a President, Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three Auditors and three Fire Wardens, each to serve for the term of one year, one Trustee and one member of the Prudential Committee, each to serve for the term of three years.

2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Village Officers.

3. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay the expenses of the Village, and if so, how much? The time of payment to be the same as Town taxes.

4. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise for the support of Schools, and if so, how much? The time of payment to be the same as Town taxes.

5. To see if the Village will vote to accept the provisions of Sections 785 to 791 inclusive, of the Public Laws, for the collection of taxes by the Village Treasurer.

6. To see if the Village will authorize the Trustees to borrow money for the temporary use of the Village.

7. To see if the Village will defray the expense of surety bonds for Village Officers where bonds are required by law.

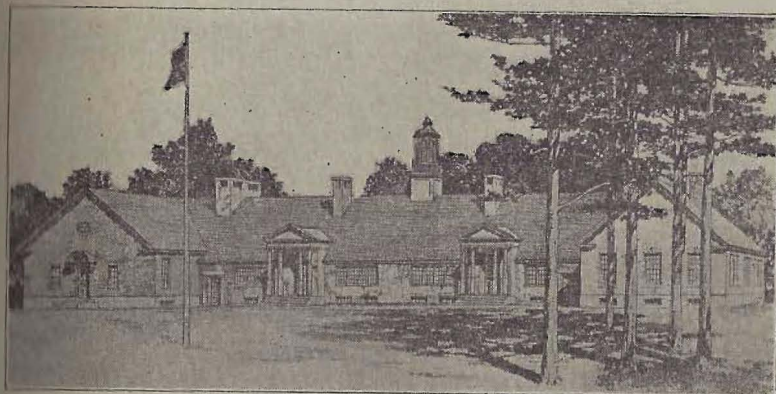
8. To see if the Village will vote to concur with the Town in the creation of a joint Budget Committee.

9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Clerk.

Proctor, Vermont  
March 15, 1938

# Fifty - Fourth Annual Report of Officers



## Village of Proctor VERMONT

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28th

1939

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## VILLAGE OFFICERS

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President  
Clerk  
Treasurer  
Collector

Vaughn F. Boyce  
Sarah B. Humphrey  
Sarah B. Humphrey  
Edwin S. Johnson

### Trustees

Henry Wallett	1939
Frank J. Olney	1940
Forest C. Thomas	1941

### Prudential Committee

D. W. McGarry	1939
Sinclair T. Allen	1940
Henry A. Collin	1941

### Auditors

Edward W. Olson	First
Robert E. Wener	Second
John B. Flanagan, Jr.	Third

### Fire Wardens

Henry C. Belcher	First
Henry A. Collin	Second
George Loso	Third



## REPORT OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

There has been a general tendency throughout the United States in recent years toward a smaller school population. This tendency has been apparent in our community for the past seven years.

Last Fall, the incoming class of first graders was of such number as to require the services of one teacher instead of two. Rather than keep the East Building open for one grade, transfers were made so that this school was not opened this year. While the present arrangement is more economical, it makes for longer walks for the children from some portions of the village.

All school bonds have been retired and a reduction has been made in the debt outstanding on temporary loans. The proposed tax rate of \$1.95 should cover operating expenses and make possible a further reduction in our indebtedness.

The following is a comparative table of statistics:

Year	No. of pupils	Regular Teachers	Pupils per Teacher	Tax Rate	Operating Expense	Expense per pupil
1929	647	24	27	\$1.70	\$51,914.42	\$80.24
1930	636	24	26.5	1.60	53,074.16	83.45
1931	652	22	29.6	1.45	51,099.53	78.37
1932	645	21	30.7	1.30	47,792.12	74.10
1933	627	20	31.4	1.15	41,538.46	66.25
1934	618	21	29.4	1.45	40,505.35	65.54
1935	592	21	28.1	1.75	40,998.09	69.25
1936	591	22	26.9	1.90	42,236.96	71.46
1937	582	22	26.5	2.00	42,497.10	73.02
1938	540	21	25.7	1.95	44,194.11	81.82

There seems to be an increasing demand and need for expanding our physical and vocational training programs. In attempting to adjust ourselves to these and other modern tendencies, we are immediately confronted with the impracticability of too extensive a program for such a small school system. We must of necessity confine ourselves to the facilities and funds at our disposal.

With the assistance of the W.P.A. a garage was built on the campus, some improvements were made to the school grounds and alterations and repairs were made inside the Central Building. The physical condition of our property is good with the exception of the heating systems in our older buildings.

The following is a table of operating expenses for the Village year ending February 28, 1939, compared with the budget for next year.

	Expense 1938	Budget 1939
Salaries	\$30,277.00	\$30,000.00
Office Expense	1,024.36	1,000.00
Books	1,185.25	1,500.00
Supplies	2,142.33	2,000.00
Sundries	400.25	500.00
Janitors	2,483.71	2,400.00
Janitor Supplies	251.52	200.00
Fuel	3,229.32	2,500.00
Lights and Water	541.16	600.00
Repairs	1,301.18	1,000.00
Furniture	180.52	200.00
Transportation	900.00	900.00
Insurance	277.51	400.00
	<hr/> \$44,194.11	<hr/> \$43,200.00

The credit from the sale of books was \$478.65.

D. W. McGarry,  
Sinclair T. Allen,  
H. A. Collin,  
*Prudential Committee.*

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL

for the Year Ending March 1, 1939

*To the Prudential Committee, Proctor, Vermont:*

This will be my thirteenth report about the schools under my charge. Concerning the first six grades my statement may seem somewhat like a mimeographed form used year after year.

The pupils in the grades show considerable differences of ability and aptitude as well as attitude toward their work. They must all take the same subjects and do a minimum, at least, of the work in order to pass from one grade to another. Some are retarded in certain grades, often a very dulling but necessary procedure. Some are sent on to the next grade, ill prepared to do work more difficult than they have been doing. The more capable pupils suffer in either case. Until we can make some definite plans for more individual instruction there seems to be no way to remedy the difficulty.

Our teachers seem to be trying very earnestly to meet the needs of their pupils on their several ability levels. The class rooms are attractive with display of class work, posters and illustrative materials. The children seem to be busy and happy at their work. We have teachers of unusual ability and their work is well planned and executed. I advise for next year that grades three, four, five and six be divided by intelligence and achievement tests as well as teacher's marks, each into two groups. This is going back to a procedure of some years ago but seems to be necessary because of differences in ability. Our instruction must be made to fit those who are being educated. We must emphasize the importance of reading, writing, speech and arithmetic and expect every normal child to have a mastery of these skills by the end of the sixth grade. We can and should make more use of the modern means of instruction through the radio, moving pictures and other visual aids.

A group of superintendents and supervising principals have been meeting each month to consider the problems of secondary education. It is generally agreed that our schools are not designed to meet the needs of all kinds of youth. The high schools have been and still are "college preparatory" institutions. Only one-fifth of those in high school do

actually go to college. For some time, in Proctor, we have been trying to make over our curriculum of the high school so that it will be useful for the four-fifths who finish their formal schooling when they leave the secondary school. With all the children in school until they are sixteen, seventeen or eighteen years old, what has really happened is this: The common school, common to all, has been moved up to include another four or five years. What is needed is to develop a new common education which will meet the educational needs of youth at this age level.

There is less employment for boys and girls of high school age, in fact many are unemployed until they have been out of high school for two or three years. What a student needs when he leaves school is a sound general knowledge of a group of occupations, an understanding of the scientific facts and economics lying back of these trades, the ability to work with others and an understanding of the way changes come and the way individuals may adjust themselves to these changes.

Our immediate task is better training for citizenship. Through our teaching of English, Industrial Geography, Social Science, Sociology, Economics, Commercial Law, and Business Principles and an intelligent approach to American History and Current Events we should give our graduates a better understanding of what "good citizenship" means and the basis of adequate knowledge and understanding of the operations of self-government, a better approach to the solution of public questions as well as a live faith in the ideals and processes of democracy.

Character education is essential for the rising generation. I know of no better way to teach young people to be honest, generous, courageous, friendly and considerate, to have the habit of working hard and to be accurate and responsible than to employ teachers who have these habits and qualities. I trust that parents will appreciate these qualities in our teachers and will call them to the attention of their boys and girls.

Space is lacking to go into all the details of desirable changes in our courses of study. I wish to make a few brief recommendations:



1. For boys not going to college I recommend the studies mentioned above together with courses in useful mathematics, Bookkeeping, Shorthand and Typewriting. A valuable course in Manual Training and General Shop covering one or more years can be given for those who will pursue the course diligently and appreciate its educational as well as its vocational value.
2. For girls not going to college I recommend some of these courses and Home Economics running through the four years of high school and the giving of a diploma in Home Economics at the end of the course.
3. I approve the work being done in Physical Education and recommend the extension of this work by providing more ample accommodations for its operation.
4. I recommend that more attention and encouragement be given to music and art, both in the grades and the general courses in high school.
5. While it may not be popular, I recommend more interest in intra-mural activities and the participation of all the students in some active athletic exercise. The expense of football far exceeds its practical value. The value of basketball as a sport for boys diminishes as we go beyond the Rotary Tournament.
6. I recommend the strengthening and extension of our guidance services.
7. I recommend a study of our "hot lunch" problems and hereby thank the P. T. A., and Red Cross and other organizations for such generous support.

We have been very fortunate this year because of our freedom from contagious diseases or other calamities to interrupt our schools. We have had many absences due to the common cold.

I have appreciated the opportunity of serving the Proctor Schools another year.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE L. JOY,

*Supervising Principal.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The year's general running expense has been kept practically to the minimum required by the services expected. Money has been taken from the Water and Sewer Account to pay the 1937 Loan and other costs covered by the General Account.

During the year the Village was the recipient of the gift from the Vermont Marble Company of the land which comprises the Depot Park, and Warner Field. The latter has been given to the Prudential Committee for care and use.

A large evergreen tree has been planted in the triangle at the Library. The Proctor Woman's Club donated a large number of electric bulbs for illuminating this tree during the Christmas season. The current was furnished by the Village from the near-by street light circuit.

Olympus Pool was given a very thorough cleaning last spring. The crib and bath houses were repaired and repainted. Private contributions and W.P.A. stood the entire cost.

Extensive improvements were made to the Water System at the Filter and Intake on Kiln Brook. Labor was supplied by W.P.A. Figures showing the costs are printed in the Town Report.

The forest in the water shed has been surveyed by a State Forester and on completion of his report, it is expected that this can be designated a Municipal Forest, owned and controlled by the Village of Proctor.

Henry Walleth,

Frank J. Olney,

Forest C. Thomas,

Trustees.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

### GENERAL ACCOUNT

#### Receipts

Balance from 1937	\$ 33.36
Received for Taxes 1937	10.45
Received for Taxes 1938	5,203.64
Unearned discount on Taxes	2.76
Hall Rent	233.00
1% on 1938 Tax	52.33
Town of Proctor - Police	368.15
Swimming Pool labor & material	512.41
Refund Christmas Tree Lights	8.84
Cash	20.00
	<u>\$6,444.94</u>
Transferred from Water & Sewer Account	1,200.00
	<u>\$7,644.94</u>

#### Disbursements

Garbage disposal and dump labor	\$ 870.00
Street Lighting	1,807.62
Street Lamps, repairs etc.	274.14
Village Hall (Inc. coal and lights)	800.63
Village Hall Janitor	275.00
Municipal Bldg. (Inc. coal and lights)	425.76
Officers' Bonds	50.00
Parks	178.46
Office supplies	56.16
Proctor Band	25.00
Police Patrol	1,104.45
Interest on temporary loans	99.16
1% on 1938 Taxes	52.33
Snow removal - stairs	79.07
Swimming Pool labor & material	512.41
Paid 1937 Loan	1,000.00
	<u>\$7,610.19</u>
Cash in till	20.00
Balance on hand to 1939	14.75
	<u>\$7,644.94</u>
Loan 1938	\$1,000.00
Loan 1938 Paid	\$1,000.00

## WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

### Receipts

Balance from 1937	\$4,055.47
Received for labor and supplies on service lines	37.82
Received for Water Rents	8,154.49
	<u>\$12,247.78</u>

### Disbursements

Care of Filter	\$ 275.00
Chittenden Taxes	143.21
Rent on Chittenden Land	8.00
Supervision	1,434.73
Trucks	155.05
Labor	269.41
Supplies	316.26
Clerical work	399.60
Office supplies	128.93
Medical service	11.00
Hydrants	218.51
	<u>\$3,359.70</u>
Transfer to General Account	1,200.00
Loaned to School Account	3,000.00
Balance on hand to 1938	4,688.08
	<u>\$12,247.78</u>

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT

### Receipts

Received for Taxes 1937	\$ 240.33
Received for Taxes 1938	41,990.87
Unearned discount on Taxes	34.18
State of Vermont - State support	3,634.52
Books and supplies	520.08
Old checks never returned	5.18
Land rent	9.78
House rent	360.00
Interest on Escheat Funds	185.05
1% on 1938 Taxes	421.99
	<u>47,401.98</u>
Loan from Water and Sewer Account	3,000.00
	<u>\$50,401.98</u>

### Disbursements

Deficit from 1937	\$2,738.94
Interest on temporary loans	391.79
Improvements	425.19
1% on 1938 Taxes	421.99
Paid 1937 loan	2,000.00
Prudential Committee Orders	44,194.11
	<u>\$50,172.02</u>
Balance to 1939	229.96
	<u>\$50,401.98</u>
Loan 1938	\$18,925.84
Loan 1938 Paid	18,925.84

# STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES, 1938

## Both Town and Village

1341 Polls @ \$2.50 Old Age Assistance	\$ 3,352.50
Village Polls 1295 @ \$3.75	4,856.25
Town Polls 46 @ \$3.50	161.00
	<u>\$ 8,369.7</u>
Village Property Grand List	
\$20,702.87 @ \$3.75	\$77,636.54
Town Property Grand List	
\$854.05 @ \$3.50	2,989.16
	<u>\$80,625.70</u>
	\$88,995.45
Less 4% to Taxpayers on all but State Taxes	3,426.26
Total of all Taxes that can be collected	<u>\$85,569.19</u>

## Collected as Follows:

Polls paid Treasurer	1256	\$ 7,652.72
Polls paid Collector	30	182.28
Polls unpaid	55	334.06
Property tax paid Treasurer		76,451.10
Property tax paid Collector		310.57
Property tax unpaid		638.46
		<u>\$85,569.19</u>
Less 1% to Treasurer		841.22
		<u>\$84,727.97</u>

## Divided as Follows:

Old Age Assistance Tax	\$ 3,183.52
General Town Account	\$26,917.24
Highway Account	6,460.18
Total Town Tax	<u>33,377.42</u>
General Village Account	5,203.64
School Account	41,990.87
Total Village Tax	<u>47,194.51</u>
Polls Unpaid	334.06
Property Unpaid	638.46
	<u>\$84,727.97</u>

## Tax Rates

	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939
Highway	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .30	\$ .30
Town	.75	1.50	1.40	1.25	1.25
School	1.75	1.90	2.00	1.95	1.95
Village	.25	.25	.25	.25	.25
	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$3.90</u>	<u>\$3.90</u>	<u>\$3.75</u>	<u>\$3.75</u>

Budget  
Committee  
Recommend



### Unpaid Taxes

Polls Abated 1934	\$ 7.80	
Polls Unpaid 1934		\$ 15.35
Polls Abated 1935	3.50	
Polls Unpaid 1935		32.75
Polls Abated 1936	11.30	
Polls Unpaid 1936		33.90
Polls Paid 1937	37.65	
Polls Unpaid 1937		63.50
Polls Paid 1938	186.75	
Polls Unpaid 1938		342.25
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		\$ 487.75

### Property unpaid:

Est. Mary Noonan	1931	\$ 20.01
Est. Mary Noonan	1932	32.25
Est. Mary Noonan	1933	27.26
Est. Mary Noonan	1934	36.00
Est. Mary Noonan	1935	46.35
Est. Mary Noonan	1936	58.50
Mrs. Arlond Tanner	1936	18.10
Mrs. Frank Avery	1937	18.25
Mrs. Arlond Tanner	1937	35.10
Mrs. Frank Avery	1938	17.50
C. W. Lewis	1938	465.90
Mrs. Nora Ladabouche	1938	150.00
Mrs. Arlond Tanner	1938	33.75
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		\$ 958.97
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		\$1,446.72

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Treasurer.

### REPORT OF AUDITORS

The estimate of the Village expense and the necessary tax rate therefor, has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

The "Joint Town and Village Financial Statement" inaugurated in 1936 has been altered somewhat this year in the hopes that it will be more understandable. Same can be found on page 18 and is respectfully submitted.

It might be opportune to mention that the Town General Deficit for the year includes the expenditure of \$5,400.00 for the Elm Street Houses. The Village General Deficit for the year does not include the item of \$1,200.00 transferred from the Water and Sewer Account. The Village School credit balance for the year does not include the loan of \$3,000.00 from the Water and Sewer Account.

The figures used in computing the "Year's Results" in the Financial Statement do not include any cross entries or items pertaining to former year's operations.

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer, the Village Trustees and the Prudential Committee for the year ending, February 28, 1939, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

### Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

For the Year Ending Feb. 28, 1939

TOTAL RECEIPTS	
General Account	\$ 6,444.94
Temporary General Loans	1,000.00
Transferred to General Account from Water and Sewer Account	1,200.00
School Account	47,401.98
Temporary School Loans	18,925.84
School Loan from Water and Sewer Account	3,000.00
Water and Sewer Account	12,247.78
Total Receipts	\$90,220.54

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	
General Account	\$ 6,610.19
Temporary General Loans Paid	2,000.00
School Account	48,172.02
Temporary School Loans Paid	20,925.84
Water and Sewer Account	3,359.70
Water and Sewer Transfer to General Account	1,200.00
Water and Sewer Loan to School Account	3,000.00
Total Disbursements	\$85,267.75

Balance for year \$4,952.79

### Statement of Resources and Liabilities

The resources of the Village, not including unpaid water rents and unpaid taxes, are as follows:-

Cash in till	\$ 20.00
Balance in check account	4,932.79
Total Resources	\$4,952.79

The liabilities of the Village are as follows:-

Temporary General loans, outstanding	\$3,000.00
Temporary School loans, outstanding	9,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$12,000.00
Net Liabilities	\$ 7,047.21

Since the net liabilities of the Village for the year ending Feb. 28, 1938 were \$13,630.11, there is a decrease in liabilities during the year 1938 of \$6,582.90.

Financial condition of Village Accounts and Amount of Outstanding Loans as compared with last year:-

		INCREASE IN ASSETS OR DECREASE IN LIABILITIES	DECREASE IN ASSETS OR INCREASE IN LIABILITIES
General Account			
Feb. 28, 1938 Balance	\$53.36		
Feb. 28, 1939 Balance	34.75		\$18.61
School Account			
Feb. 28, 1938 Deficit	\$2,738.94		
Feb. 28, 1939 Balance	229.96	\$2,968.90	
Water and Sewer Account			
Feb. 28, 1938 Balance	\$4,055.47		
Feb. 28, 1939 Balance	4,688.08	631.61	
Outstanding Bond & Loans			
Feb. 28, 1938 Total	\$15,000.00		
Feb. 28, 1939 Total	12,000.00	3,000.00	
		\$6,601.51	\$18.61

Net Decrease in Liabilities \$6,582.90

# JOINT TOWN AND VILLAGE FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1938 Operating Results

	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	CREDIT BALANCE	DEBIT BALANCE
Town General	\$31,351.39	\$32,798.52		\$1,447.13
Town Highway	8,738.05	8,738.05		
Village General	5,826.84	6,045.45		218.61
Village School	46,979.99	45,011.09	1,968.90	
Village Water & Sewer	8,192.31	3,359.70	4,832.61	
	\$101,088.58	\$95,952.81	\$6,801.51	\$1,665.74
	95,952.81		1,665.74	
Excess of receipts over disbursements	\$ 5,135.77		\$5,135.77	

## Statement of Town and Village Debt

	FEB. 28, 1938	YEAR'S RESULTS	FEB. 28, 1939
Town General	\$49,817.35	\$1,447.13 Increase	\$51,264.48
Town Highway			
Village General	3,946.64	218.61 Increase	4,165.25
Village School	13,738.94	1,968.90 Decrease	11,770.04
Village Water & Sewer	4,055.47 Credit	4,832.61 Decrease	8,888.08 Credit
	\$63,447.46	\$5,135.77 Decrease	\$58,311.69

Note: The above includes all outstanding bonds and unpaid loans, but does not include the transfers and loans from the Water and Sewer Account. Taking these into consideration the actual accounts are as follows:-

	FEB. 28, 1939
Town General	\$51,264.48
Town Highway	
Village General	2,965.25
Village School	8,770.04*
Village Water & Sewer	4,688.08* Credit
Total Town and Village debt	\$58,311.69
Reduction over 1938	\$ 5,135.77

(\*) The Village School has a loan of \$3,000.00 due the Water & Sewer Account.

Edward W. Olson  
Robert E. Wener  
John B. Flanagan, Jr.  
Auditors

# PROCTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

## ANNUAL REPORT 1938

Chief Engineer	H. C. Belcher
Chief	H. A. Collin
Assistant Chief	H. W. Johnson
Captain	A. A. Tenerani
Captain	Cecil Curtis
Clerk	E. K. Erickson

## FIREMEN

### First Squad

Henry Loso  
Arthur Allard  
Carl Anderson  
Alfred Baccei  
Charles Billings  
Ben Doane  
George Loso  
Thomas Mohan  
Clifford Monahan  
Dino Baccei

### Second Squad

Henry Walleit  
George Carlson  
Herbert Curtis  
George Johnson  
Jack Shand  
Louis Lertola  
Charles L'Herault  
Michael Levis  
David Ogilvie  
Emile Pelchat  
Algot Sedergrén  
Hercules Zambelli

During the year, the department met four times for meetings and eight times for practice with the apparatus.

Twenty-seven alarms were answered, thirteen chimney fires, three buildings, seven grass fires, three needless alarms and one call for flood duty. There were no serious fires in town.

The department responded to two calls from Pittsford.

The only equipment purchased was twelve helmets.

The members are appointed annually by the Vermont Marble Company which bears the entire expense of maintaining the department.

H. A. Collin, Chief  
E. K. Erickson, Clerk



## WARNING

The legal voters in Village Meeting of the Village of Proctor, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the Village Hall in said Village on Tuesday the 28th day of March, A. D. 1939 at 1:00 o'clock P. M. to act on the following matters, to wit:

1. To elect a President, Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three Auditors and three Fire Wardens, each to serve for the term of one year, one Trustee and one member of the Prudential Committee, each to serve for the term of three years.

2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Village Officers.

3. To see if the Village will vote to give the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to the Proctor Band.

4. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay the expenses of the Village, and if so, how much? The time of payment to be the same as Town taxes.

5. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise for the support of Schools, and if so, how much? The time of payment to be the same as Town taxes.

6. To see if the Village will vote to accept the provisions of Sections 785 to 791 inclusive, of the Public Laws, for the collection of taxes by the Village Treasurer.

7. To see if the Village will authorize the Trustees to borrow money for the temporary use of the Village.

8. To see if the Village will defray the expense of surety bonds for Village Officers where bonds are required by law.

9. To see if the Village will vote to concur with the Town in the creation of a joint Budget Committee.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Clerk.

Proctor, Vermont  
March 17, 1939.

# **Fifty-Fifth Annual Report of Officers**



**Village of Proctor**  
VERMONT

**YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 29**

**1940**

**The Oaks-Royal Press  
Proctor, Vermont**

The building shown on the cover is the Proctor Free Library, a gift of Mrs. Emily J. Proctor in memory of her daughter Mrs. Arabella Proctor Holden. It stands on ground of rich association as it is the site of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Ormsbee, who were lovers of good books and were glad to loan their books to any who cared to read them.

This beautiful building was opened to the public May 10, 1913 and has ministered to the people of this community in a wonderful way.

This community should forever remember the gracious and kindly spirit of Senator and Mrs. Redfield Proctor and their family who have given us so much.

## VILLAGE OFFICERS

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President  
Clerk  
Treasurer  
Collector

Henry Walleth  
Sarah B. Humphrey  
Sarah B. Humphrey  
Paul W. Higbee

### Trustees

Frank J. Olney	1940
Forest C. Thomas	1941
Louis J. Lertola	1942

### Prudential Committee

Sinclair T. Allen	1940
Henry A. Collin	1941
D. W. McGarry	1942

### Auditors

Robert E. Wener	First
John B. Flanagan, Jr.	Second
Frederick Raymond, Jr.	Third

### Fire Wardens

Henry C. Belcher	First
Henry A. Collin	Second
George Loso	Third



## REPORT OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

The trend of school population continues downward. Whereas a few years ago we were considering the possibility of enlarging our accommodations and adding to equipment we now find the need becoming less each year. Inasmuch as the incoming grades are about half the size of previous ones, it becomes evident that at the present rate we will in four years require but six grade teachers in place of twelve. Therefore we may expect a gradual reduction in school operating expense.

In keeping with this line of reasoning the Prudential Committee is recommending that the tax rate for school purposes be reduced from \$1.95 to \$1.90.

The following is a comparative table of statistics.

Year	No. of pupils	Regular Teachers	Pupils per Teacher	Tax Rate	Operating Expense	Expense per pupil
1929	647	24	27	\$1.70	\$51,914.42	\$80.24
1930	636	24	26.5	1.60	53,074.16	83.45
1931	652	22	29.6	1.45	51,099.53	78.37
1932	645	21	30.7	1.30	47,792.12	74.10
1933	627	20	31.4	1.15	41,538.46	66.25
1934	618	21	29.4	1.45	40,505.35	65.54
1935	592	21	28.1	1.75	40,998.09	69.25
1936	591	22	26.9	1.90	42,236.96	71.46
1937	582	22	26.5	2.00	42,497.10	73.02
1938	540	21	25.7	1.95	44,194.11	81.82
1939	518	20	25.9	1.95	43,640.40	84.25

Two years ago the Village was given title to Warner Field, including the area occupied by the skating rink. The control and care of this property has been placed in the hands of the Prudential Committee.

The rooms in the South Building were brightened up and rather extensive repairs were made to the walls of the High School Assembly Hall. The Chemical Laboratory was rearranged to accommodate more students and all routine repairs were made as needed. The physical condition of our property continues to be good.

The North School Building has been unused since June, 1931 and now the East Building has not been needed for school purposes for more than a year. The latter has been used during the past season by the Town for storage and distribution of Government commodities and for the Sewing Center, the Town paying all expense of repairs and operation.

The following is a table of operating expenses for the Village year ending February 29, 1940, compared with the budget for next year.

	Expense 1939	Budget 1940
Salaries	\$30,239.00	\$30,700.00
Office expense	1,539.97	1,200.00
Books	1,133.90	2,000.00
Supplies	1,759.18	1,800.00
Sundries	910.63	750.00
Janitors	2,469.70	2,600.00
Janitor supplies	253.29	250.00
Fuel	1,989.77	2,500.00
Light and water	534.99	600.00
Repairs	1,212.74	1,000.00
Transportation	900.00	900.00
Insurance	315.27	400.00
Furniture	381.96	200.00
	<hr/> \$43,640.40	<hr/> \$44,900.00

The 1939 budget for books was \$1,500.00, of this amount only \$1,133.90 was spent. To this should be credited \$615.05 collected from the sale of books to High School students. There is at present a deficiency of books in the grades, hence the appropriation of \$2,000.00.

Sinclair T. Allen,  
Henry A. Collin,  
Dominic W. McGarry,

Prudential Committee.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISING PRINCIPAL FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1940

To the Prudential Committee, Proctor, Vermont:

This will be my fourteenth report. The Prudential Committee's Report of last year showed the number of pupils in school in 1929 as 647, in 1938 as 540. The enrollment for 1939 was 518. Our census cards show that about 27 will enter the first grade next September. Next year there will be one first grade, one second grade, one third grade, instead of two and in the fourth, fifth, and sixth, there will be two grades in each. This substantiates what is happening in the elementary grades over wide areas. We shall be able to maintain our grades next year with one less regular teacher. Substitute teachers have been employed to replace the regular teacher who withdrew early in the year due to illness.

At the beginning of the year 18 pupils in the first three grades either failed of promotion or were conditioned or were doing very poor work. The I.Q. of these students ranged from 68 to 109. Only three had an I.Q. over 100. These latter cases were easily diagnosed. A special teacher was employed from September 25 to November 29, to give remedial work in reading and arithmetic. This help relieved the teachers so that they could give more time to starting their new classes and also gave more attention to the pupils who could make the grade but were slow in adjusting themselves to new situations. Although the period for help was comparatively short all but two pupils showed improvement within their ability. There was some confusion in sending these pupils from their rooms for special work and the teachers suggest and I recommend for such pupils, an Opportunity Room, with a special teacher in order that the pupils may have not only remedial work but much more hand work and that they may become better socially adjusted. There are students in grades four, five and six who need careful consideration.

I wish to commend the teachers of the grades for the work they are doing. Some have been handicapped by special problems of scholarship and all have been handicapped by a lack of some desirable books and materials. Substantial progress has been made in purchasing new texts as far as our budget has allowed.

Our newly purchased moving picture machine, together with its record playing device, has served us well. Two hundred forty students in high school have seen 37 reels; the one hundred fifty pupils in the Central Building have seen 16 reels, and the one hundred twenty-seven pupils in the South Building have seen 14 reels. There are twenty-seven more reels already booked and at least ten more have been requested. These cover American History, Music, Science, the Arts and Travel. We contributed one excellent sound reel to the Sound Film Pool at Burlington, "Mountains of Marble."

With reference to the hot breakfasts and hot lunches, the teachers of the South Building have expressed themselves in writing that, "This has been a worthwhile project. Attendance records have definitely improved. The health of the school is improved. The appearance of the children showed improvement. We see fuller and rosier cheeks on several. These children are willing to eat everything—not a bit finicky—seem glad to get it and show appreciation." The teachers of the Central Building agree that it is a worthwhile project and speak especially of the politeness and courtesy shown during the meals. This work is sponsored by the P.T.A. with Mrs. John Young, President of the P.T.A. in charge. A substantial sum was voted by the P.T.A. and many friends contributed money, supplies and time in collecting. Mr. Sherlock has given valuable assistance in securing "surplus commodity" supplies. We gave out about 90 bushels of apples. Some things had to be purchased. The Prudential Committee paid for the services of the woman who prepares the food. Six boys have dis-

tributed the hot dishes promptly. A regularly rotating group of teachers in each building served the food. The nurse employed states that one-half showed improvement and her chart shows that 16 gained from one to four and a half pounds each.

The teachers in high school have given me carefully prepared statements of the aims and purposes in teaching their several subjects. Space does not allow extensive quotations.

In English, among other things, the aims are four: 1. Knowledge and appreciation of literature; 2. Ability to write; 3. Ability to speak; 4. Ability to think. In Social Science and American History the aim is to acquaint the students with some of the outstanding problems of our American life and to teach them methods of analyzing and considering these and future problems.

Sociology aims to show the student the various forces and influences of society and their effects upon personality. When tied up with our guidance program the aim is to show the individual what makes him what he is, in order that he may develop a well rounded personality, adjusted to the society in which he finds himself. Our guidance program aims to give each student such assistance as will enable him to choose, prepare for, enter upon, and progress in an occupation fitted to his interests and abilities. We have begun holding individual interviews with each student in school and have made considerable progress in contacting outside training opportunities and placement work.

Our courses in mathematics and science make necessary preparation for advanced work in college and elsewhere. Its aims are to give training in thinking, to help approach a situation and think it out in an orderly way. The courses are designed to cultivate keenness of thought and concentration as well as general knowledge. In the language classes the aim is to develop in the student, through an intense study of grammar, idiomatic expressions and vocabulary, the ability to read and understand both French and Latin with a fair degree of ease.

The aims of the commercial work are to develop in the students: 1. A general knowledge of business organization and procedure; 2. An understanding of business forms; 3. A knowledge of the laws governing social conduct; 4. The ability to keep personal records and those of a sole proprietorship and partnership, and, 5. The ability to fill satisfactorily stenographic positions.

In the more practical courses of manual training and home economics the aim is to develop habits of clear thinking, to discover interests and abilities and to add to the fields from which knowledge may be acquired many things not considered in other courses. To develop skills is not the primary objective but is an incidental and a necessary part of the fundamentals required for well constructed projects.

I wish to commend the teachers for the work done in music and want to thank all those who helped uniform the band in such an acceptable manner. I wish further to express my approval of what is being done in physical education and the handling of our athletic interests.

I wish to thank you, the Prudential Committee, and all others who have shown an interest in the school. In closing I would like to call two things to your attention for further consideration—

The possibilities of part time vocational work offered by the facilities of Barstow School at Chittenden in connection with the work done in our own school.

The desirability and the possibilities of training for those out-of-school young people, now not otherwise employed, either through an N.Y.A. project in one of our buildings or supervised correspondence courses open to anyone. There are excellent opportunities here at small expense.

Respectfully submitted,

March 1, 1940.

Clarence L. Joy,  
Supervising Principal.



## REPORT OF TRUSTEES

This year's business of the Village has continued in a rather routine way, with income and expenses running just about as expected. Earnings from the Water and Sewer account have again been transferred to other Village accounts, making it possible to reduce the temporary loan and still live within the tax budget.

The Vermont Marble Company have deeded to the Village for playground purposes only, the piece of land extending between Cross Street and the Clarendon and Pittsford track. It is expected that this area can be improved with the aid of N. Y. A. funds.

A new set of sewer cleaning rods was purchased, replacing those which have become worn and unsafe. It is believed that the new set is an improvement over any previous sets owned by the Village.

The extreme drought all summer and early fall limited the water supply but there was sufficient water at all times for the normal need. The unusual cold this winter has caused many service lines to freeze, but so far there has been no serious damage.

The water main was extended to North Green Square, where the small service line that served a group of houses had become very unsatisfactory.

There was no serious troubles with any of the sewer lines.

The Village Hall has been rented for movies, four nights a week. Very worth while pictures have been shown. Judging from the attendance many in the community appreciate this opportunity to see the good pictures.

At times there is need for a new piano in the Village Hall. It would be advisable however to have some way to protect a new instrument from being damaged, when not in use. Other demands for Village funds have made it doubtful whether a new piano is the greatest need.

During the summer the Proctor Band gave eight concerts which were greatly enjoyed by many.

Frank J. Olney  
Forest C. Thomas  
Louis J. Lertola  
Trustees.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT

#### Receipts

Balance from 1938	\$4,688.08
Broken hydrant	86.81
Labor and supplies service lines	102.60
Water rents	7,820.09

\$12,697.58

#### Disbursements

Care of filter	\$325.00
Chittenden taxes	144.29
Rent on Chittenden land	8.00
Supervision	1,301.36
Labor	454.96
Supplies	129.64
New flexible sewer rods	404.16
New water main	155.46
Clerical work	404.40
Office supplies	113.16

\$3,440.43

Transfer to General Account 1,000.00

Transfer to School Account 500.00

\$4,940.43

Balance on hand to 1940 7,757.15

\$12,697.58

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Treasurer.

# SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1938	\$229.96
Received for taxes 1931	11.90
Received for taxes 1932	18.78
Received for taxes 1933	16.48
Received for taxes 1934	21.36
Received for taxes 1935	29.32
Received for taxes 1936	35.46
Received for taxes 1937	30.75
Received for taxes 1938	136.65
Received for taxes 1939	40,391.89
Unearned discount on taxes	31.31
State of Vermont—State support	3,233.94
Books and supplies	615.05
Checks returned not used	104.87
Land rent	9.78
House rent	330.00
Insurance refund	27.74
Parent-Teacher Association	156.59
Broken windows	15.50
School Band	83.00
1% on 1939 taxes	405.57
Interest on Escheat funds	185.05
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	\$46,120.95
Transfer from Water & Sewer Acct.	500.00
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\$46,620.95

## Disbursements

Interest on temporary loans	\$274.55
1% on 1939 taxes	405.57
Paid 1937 loan	2,000.00
Prudential Committee Orders	43,640.40
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	\$46,320.52
Balance on hand to 1940	300.43
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	\$46,620.95
Loan from Montpelier Nat'l Bank 1939	\$12,000.00
Paid loan Montpelier Nat'l Bank 1939	12,000.00

# GENERAL ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Balance from 1938	\$14.75
Received for taxes 1931	1.52
Received for taxes 1932	3.61
Received for taxes 1933	2.84
Received for taxes 1934	3.05
Received for taxes 1935	4.19
Received for taxes 1936	4.67
Received for taxes 1937	2.64
Received for taxes 1938	16.32
Received for taxes 1939	5,014.75
Unearned discount on taxes	3.89
Hall rent	690.50
Town of Proctor — Police	271.32
Refund insurance — Village Hall	22.50
1% on 1939 tax	51.91
Miscellaneous	6.00
Cash	20.00
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	\$6,134.46
Transfer from Water & Sewer	
Acct.	1,000.00
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\$7,134.46

## Disbursements

Garbage disposal and dump labor	\$899.82
Street lighting	1,854.50
Street lamps, repairs, etc.	251.30
Village Hall Janitor	361.50
Village Hall (Inc. coal, light and Ins.)	823.83
Municipal Bldg. (Inc. coal and light)	357.23
Officers' bonds	50.00
Parks	190.79
Office supplies	61.56
Proctor Band	300.00
Police patrol	813.96
Interest on temporary loans	70.00
Labor and supplies	26.45
1% on taxes 1939	51.91
Paid 1937 loan	1,000.00
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	\$7,112.85
Balance on hand to 1940	21.61
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\$7,134.46



# STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES, 1939

## Both Town and Village

1317 Polls @ \$2.50 Old Age Assistance	\$3,292.50	
Village Polls 1273 @ \$3.75	4,773.75	
Town Polls 44 @ 3.50	154.00	
		<u>\$8,220.25</u>
Village Property Grand List		
\$19,895.71 @ \$3.75	\$74,609.44	
Town Property Grand List		
\$787.91 @ \$3.50	2,757.71	
		<u>\$77,367.15</u>
		<u>\$85,587.40</u>
Less 4% to Taxpayers on all but State taxes	3,292.30	
Total of all taxes that can be collected		<u>\$82,295.10</u>

## Collected as Follows:

Polls paid Treasurer	1210	\$ 7,372.84	
Polls paid Collector	48	292.08	
Polls unpaid	53	321.62	
Polls abated	6	36.60	
Property tax paid Treasurer		73,746.60	
Property tax paid Collector		27.40	
Property tax unpaid		497.96	
			<u>\$82,295.10</u>
Less 1% to Treasurer		811.19	
			<u>\$81,483.91</u>

## Divided as Follows:

Old Age Assistance Tax		\$ 3,114.75
General Town Account	\$25,892.21	
Highway Account	6,214.13	
		<u>32,106.34</u>
Total Town Tax		
General Village Account	\$ 5,014.75	
School Account	40,391.89	
		<u>\$45,406.64</u>
Total Village Tax		
Polls abated		36.60
Polls unpaid		321.62
Property unpaid		497.96
		<u>\$81,483.91</u>

## Tax Rates

	1936	1937	1938	Budget Committee Recommended	1939	1940
Highway	\$ .25	\$ .25	\$ .30	\$ .30	\$ .30	\$ .30
Town	1.50	1.40	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
School	1.90	2.00	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.90
Village	.25	.25	.25	.25	.25	.20
	<u>\$3.90</u>	<u>\$3.90</u>	<u>\$3.75</u>	<u>\$3.75</u>	<u>\$3.75</u>	<u>\$3.65</u>

# Unpaid Taxes

Polls Paid 1934	\$ 3.90	
Polls Abated 1934	3.90	
Polls Unpaid 1934		\$ 7.55
Polls Paid 1935	11.00	
Polls Abated 1935	5.25	
Polls Unpaid 1935		16.50
Polls Abated 1936	11.30	
Polls Unpaid 1936		22.60
Polls Paid 1937	12.80	
Polls Abated 1937	6.40	
Polls Unpaid 1937		44.30
Polls Paid 1938	118.75	
Polls Abated 1938	55.75	
Polls Unpaid 1938		167.75
Polls Paid 1939	299.25	
Polls Abated 1939	37.50	
Polls Unpaid 1939		329.50
		<u>\$588.20</u>

Property unpaid:		
Lewis, C. W. 1938	\$465.90	
Lewis, C. W. 1939	476.00	
Flanagan, Edw. & Katherine 1939	16.88	
Greeno, David & Anna 1939	26.75	
	<u>\$985.53</u>	
(Plus Discount)		<u>\$1,573.73</u>

# AUDITORS' REPORT

## JOINT TOWN & VILLAGE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### 1939 Operating Results

	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSE	EXCESS OF EXP. OVER INCOME
Town General	32,812.50	33,393.41		580.91
Town Highway	8,053.36	8,053.36		
Village General	7,299.71	6,112.85	1,186.86	
Village School	48,890.99	44,320.52	4,570.47	
Village Water & Sewer	8,009.50	3,440.43	4,569.07	
	<u>\$105,066.06</u>	<u>\$95,320.57</u>	<u>\$10,326.40</u>	<u>\$580.91</u>
	95,320.57		580.61	
Excess of Income over Expense	9,745.49		9,745.49	

Note: Included as income in the Village General Account is \$1,200.00 transferred from Water and Sewer Account in 1938, and in the Village School Account is \$3,000.00 loaned by the Water and Sewer in 1938, which loan is now considered a transfer.

### STATEMENT OF TOWN AND VILLAGE DEBT

(Net Liabilities after deductions for cash on hand)

	2-28-39	1939 RESULTS	2-28-40
Town General	51,264.48	580.91 Increase	51,845.39
Town Highway	None	None	None
Village General	4,165.25	1,186.86 Decrease	2,978.39
Village School	11,770.04	4,570.47 Decrease	7,199.57
Village Water & Sewer	4,688.08 Cr.	4,569.07 Decrease	9,257.15 Cr.
	<u>\$62,511.69</u>	<u>\$9,745.49 Decrease</u>	<u>\$52,766.20</u>

Statement of net debt of each account after transfers of \$1,000 to General and \$500 to School from Water & Sewer Account:

Town General	51,845.39
Town Highway	
Village General	1,978.39
Village School	6,699.57
Village Water & Sewer	7,757.15
	<u>\$52,766.20</u>

Robert E. Wener  
John B. Flanagan, Jr.  
Fred Raymond, Jr.  
Auditors

The estimate of the Village expense and the necessary tax rate therefor; has been left to the Budget Committee as voted.

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Village Treasurer, the Village Trustees and the Prudential Committee for the year ending February 28, 1940, and have satisfied ourselves that the same are correct.

Unpaid water rents and unpaid taxes have not been included as income.

### Statement of Receipts and Disbursements For the Year Ending Feb. 28, 1940

#### TOTAL RECEIPTS

Cash on hand March 1, 1940	4,952.79
General Account	6,099.71
School Account	45,890.99
Temporary School Loan	12,000.00
Water and Sewer*	8,009.50
Total Receipts	76,952.99

#### TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

General Account	6,112.85
1938 Loans Repaid	3,000.00
School Account	44,320.52
Temporary School Loan Repaid	12,000.00
Water and Sewer	3,440.43
Cash on hand Feb. 28, 1940	8,070.19
Total Disbursements	76,952.99

\* Of this income, \$1,000.00 was transferred to General Account and \$500.00 was transferred to School Account.

The liabilities of the Village are as follows:

Temporary General Loans outstanding	\$2,000.00
"    School    "    "	7,000.00
	9,000.00
Cash on hand Feb. 28, 1940	8,079.10
Net Liabilities Feb. 28, 1940	920.81
Net Liabilities "    "    1939	7,047.21
Decrease in net Liabilities during 1939	6,126.40

Financial condition of Village Accounts and amount of Outstanding Loans as compared with last year:-

	BALANCE		1939 CHANGE
	2-28-39	2-28-40	
General Account	34.75	21.61	13.14 Decrease
School Account	229.96	300.43	70.47 Increase
Water and Sewer Account	4,688.08	7,757.15	3,069.07 Increase
Total Cash on hand	4,952.79	8,079.19	3,126.40 Increase
Outstanding Bonds and Loans	12,000.00	9,000.00	3,000.00 Decrease
Net decrease in liabilities			6,126.40



## TOWN NET LIABILITIES

1930	■	Credit 1,016.81	
1931	■	" 2,781.74	
1932	■	" 3,841.70	
1933	■	" 2,784.45	
1934	■		18,382.88
1935	■		51,809.56
1936	■		50,976.34
1937	■		49,817.35
1938	■		51,264.48
1939	■		51,845.39

Increase in Town debt was due to relief.

## VILLAGE NET LIABILITIES

1930	■		69,836.11
1931	■		57,128.89
1932	■		47,483.22
1933	■		36,962.11
1934	■		33,201.15
1935	■		27,568.96
1936	■		16,139.64
1937	■		13,630.11
1938	■		7,047.21
1939	■		920.81

Village debt includes School and Water & Sewer Ponds gradually paid off.

## TOWN & VILLAGE COMBINED NET LIABILITIES

1930	■		68,819.31
1931	■		54,347.15
1932	■		43,641.52
1933	■		34,177.66
1934	■		51,903.03
1935	■		79,378.52
1936	■		67,115.98
1937	■		63,447.46
1938	■		58,311.69
1939	■		52,766.20

1939

## Annual Report of the Proctor Fire Department

Chief Engineer .....	H. C. Belcher
Chief .....	H. A. Collin
Assistant Chief .....	H. Johnson
Captain .....	A. A. Tenerani
Captain .....	Cecil Curtis
Clerk .....	E. K. Erickson

### FIREMEN

#### SQUAD 1

Henry Loso  
 Arthur Allard  
 Carl Anderson  
 Alfred Baccei  
 Charles Billings  
 Ben Doane  
 George Loso  
 Thomas Mohan  
 Clifford Monahan  
 Dino Baccei

#### SQUAD 2

Henry Wallett  
 George Carlson  
 Herbert Curtis  
 George Johnson  
 Louis Lertola  
 Charles L'Herault  
 Michael Levis  
 David Ogilvie  
 Emil Pelchat  
 Algot Sedergrén  
 Hercules Zambelli

During the year the department met four times for meetings and eight times for practice with the apparatus.

The department was called out twenty-one times, 11 chimney fires, 5 brush and grass fires and 5 other fires including one out of town call in Pittsford.

There were no serious fires in town.

The members are appointed annually by the Vermont Marble Company which bears the entire expense of maintaining the department.

H. A. Collin, Chief  
 E. K. Erickson, Clerk

## WARNING

The legal voters in Village Meeting of the Village of Proctor, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the Village Hall in said Village on Tuesday the 26th day of March, A. D. 1940 at 1:00 o'clock P. M. to act on the following matters, to wit:

1. To elect a President, Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, three Auditors and three Fire Wardens, each to serve for the term of one year, one Trustee and one member of the Prudential Committee, each to serve for the term of three years.

2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Village Officers.

3. To see if the Village will vote to give the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to the Proctor Band.

4. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay the expenses of the Village, and if so, how much? The time of payment to be the same as Town taxes.

5. To see if the Village will raise money by taxation or otherwise for the support of Schools, and if so how much? The time of payment to be the same as Town taxes.

6. To see if the Village will vote to accept the provisions of Sections 785 to 791 inclusive of the Public Laws, for the collection of taxes by the Village Treasurer.

7. To see if the Village will authorize the Trustees to borrow money for the temporary use of the Village.

8. To see if the Village will defray the expenses of surety bonds for Village Officers where bonds are required by law.

9. To see if the Village will vote to concur with the Town in the creation of a joint Budget Committee.

10. To see if the Village will vote to license slot machines described in Sections 8696 and 8697 of the Public Laws of Vermont, as amended by Part II of No. 38 of the Acts of the General Assembly for 1937, and to prohibit the possession or use of all unlicensed slot machines, and if so, how much the license tax shall be, and to authorize the Trustees to issue licenses.

11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Sarah B. Humphrey,  
Village Clerk.

Proctor, Vermont.  
March 14, 1940